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ITALIAN PEOPLE ARE DISINTERESTED IN WAR AND RAPIDLY TIRING OF EFFECTS

NEW YORK, AUG. 20 (REUTER)—SABOTAGE HAS OCCURRED IN ITALY OWING TO THE PEOPLE'S GROWING RESENTMENT OVER THE EFFECTS OF THE WAR, according to a despatch to the New York Daily News, dated Aug. 12, and sent in such a manner as to avoid Italian censorship.

The correspondent declares that there is evidence everywhere in Rome that the Italian people are thoroughly disinterested in the war and are rapidly tiring of its effects.

48 Dead In Explosions

The correspondent adds that during the last three weeks explosions in munition works caused 48 deaths and injured 200. There has also been considerable damage to property through misdirected anti-aircraft fire during British leaflet raids on Rome. Shortage of food and high prices contribute to the ill-feeling.

American Destroyers To Patrol Canadian Waters

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The Washington correspondent of the NEW YORK TIMES says that some diplomats foresee the possibility of American destroyers patrolling Canadian waters as the result of Mr. Roosevelt's week-end meeting with the Canadian Prime Minister.

It is pointed out that if vessels are no used, British destroyers, or other naval vessels, could be released in proportion for home waters.

This would be equivalent to sending British destroyers while avoiding the legal obstacles.

CANBERRA, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The view that it is only a matter

DETENTION OF CAPT. RAMSAY

TAKEN FROM GAOL TO COMMONS

CAPTAIN ARCHIBALD HENRY RAMSAY, M.P. (Conservative) for Peebles, who is detained under the Defence Regulations was brought to the House of Commons from Brixton Prison yesterday to attend a meeting of the Committee of Privileges which is considering whether his detention is a breach of privileges of the House, says a Reuter message.

Capt. Ramsay remained in the charge of Brig. Gen. G. A. Howard, D. S. O., Sergeant-at-Arms, while within the precincts of the House.

The Committee met under the chairmanship of Mr. C. R. Attlee, Lord Privy Seal.

Proceedings were in camera and were attended by Capt. Ramsay who left the Committee room after 40 minutes.

COMMITTEE ADJOURN

Capt. Ramsay returned to the Committee room for 12 minutes and the Committee, after sitting for nearly two hours, adjourned for September 5, when Capt. Ramsay may make further representations.

Capt. Ramsay was driven back to Brixton.

REPLY TO WENDELL WILLKIE

'CHEAP BRAVADO' SAYS ICKES

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The Democratic Party's reply to Mr. Wendell Willkie's speech on Saturday was made by Mr. Harold L. Ickes last night.

He referred to Mr. Willkie as a "simple barefoot Wall Street lawyer" and called Mr. Willkie's challenge to Mr. Roosevelt to the joint debate as "cheap bravado."

He said: "The President cannot adjourn the battle of Britain to ride a circuit with Mr. Willkie. We must realise the Battle of Britain as a Battle of the Atlantic. The President is not a mountebank."

Mr. Ickes thanked Mr. Willkie for agreeing with Mr. Roosevelt on conscription and help for Britain.

CHURCHILL COMPARES FIRST YEAR WITH GREAT WAR: PRESENT IS CONFLICT OF ORGANISATION, MECHANICS AND MORALE

Hitler Won't Have Air Force Left

NEW YORK, August 20 (Reuter).—The well-known writer, Mr. Knickerbocker, in a despatch from London to the New York Journal American, says, "If Hitler does not attempt to invade Britain soon he won't have an air force left to do it."

"Six weeks of this kind of German air warfare will put the Luftwaffe temporarily out of action because the fact is that the R.A.F. reports of losses are in the opinion of most objective neutral sources not only as accurate as man can make them but they understate the advantages the British are gaining over the Germans."

"Official figures of German machines shot down over Britain since the war began means just those destroyed within the eyesight of these shores."

According to British Wireless, Gault MacGowan, in the New York Sun, writes: "The British reputation for understatement should not be allowed to becloud our judgment and there is no fear or panic."

James Macdonald, in the New York Times, writes: "British reports are about as correct as it is possible to make them."

365,000 Casualties In 1914-15: 92 Thousand Since September

A COMPARISON OF THE FIRST YEAR of the second war against German aggression with its forerunner a quarter of a century ago was given by the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, when he made a statement in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon, according to a Reuter message from London.

"Although this war is in fact only a continuation of the last (hear, hear) very great differences in its character are apparent," said the Premier who was received with cheers from all sides of the House.

ELEVEN SPEECH FLASHES

The following flashes from Mr. Churchill's statement were cabled by Reuter:—

Britain would arrange speedy supplies of food to any country which genuinely regained its freedom.

Britain was stronger than ever before and would face whatever was coming sure of herself and of her cause.

The whole British Army is at home. The Navy is far stronger than at the beginning of the war. Magnetic mines were effectively mastered.

The enemy are still far more numerous than we in the air but our new production exceeds his largely.

Britain could continue the war as long as the enemy pleases.

Far larger operations are impending in the Middle East. Invasion of Britain comes much more difficult.

The United States were offered facilities to assist her naval and air defence in Newfoundland, West Indies and elsewhere.

There was no question of any transference of sovereignty in these facilities but for its part His Majesty's Government was entirely willing to afford defence facilities on a 99-years leasehold basis.

Undoubtedly this process meant these English-speaking democracies of the British Empire and the United States would be somewhat mixed up together in some of their affairs for mutual and general advantage. "I don't view the process with any misgivings. None can stop it. Like the Mississippi, it just goes rolling along," said the Premier.

Berlin Has Longest Night Raid Alarm

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Berlin despatch to the NEW YORK TIMES says Berlin had the longest air raid alarm yet experienced during the night.

Sirens gave warning at 42 minutes past midnight that enemy aeroplanes were en route to the capital.

It was stated that soon afterwards anti-aircraft guns in the western suburbs fired at irregular intervals for an hour.

The all-clear signal was given at 2.22 a.m.

"IN THE LAST WAR MILLIONS OF MEN FOUGHT BY HURLING MASSES OF STEEL AT ONE ANOTHER. 'MEN AND SHELLS' WAS THE CRY AND PRODIGIOUS SLAUGHTER WAS THE CONSEQUENCE. IN THIS WAR NOTHING OF THIS KIND HAS YET APPEARED. IT IS A CONFLICT OF STRATEGY, OF ORGANISATION, OF TECHNICAL APPARATUS, SCIENCE, MECHANICS AND MORALE."

At the outset of his statement, Mr. Churchill said: "Almost a year has passed since the war began. It is natural for us, I think, to pause on our journey at this milestone and survey the dark, wide field."

"British casualties in the first twelve months of the Great War amounted to 365,000. In this war, I am thankful to say, British killed and wounded, prisoners and missing, including civilians, do not exceed 92,000. But of these a large portion are alive as prisoners of war. Throughout all Europe, for one man killed or wounded in this first year, perhaps five were killed or wounded in 1914-15."

"The slaughter is but a fraction but the consequence to the belligerents has been even more deadly. We have seen great countries, with powerful armies, dashed out of coherent existence in a few months."

"We have seen the French Republic and the powerful French Army beaten into complete and total submission with less than the casualties which they suffered in any one of the half dozen of battles in 1914-18."

"The entire body—it might almost seem, at the time, the soul of France succumbed to physical effects incomparably less terrible than those which were sustained with fortitude and undaunted will-power twenty-five years ago."

MORE PROFOUND
"Although up to the present the loss of life has been mercifully diminished, decisions reached in the course of this struggle are even more profound upon the fate of nations than anything which has ever happened since barbaric times."

"Moves are made upon scientific and strategic boards, advantages are gained by mechanical means, as a result of which scores of millions of men become incapable to further the resistance and a fear-

ful game of chess proceeds from check to check-mate by which the unhappy players seem to be inevitably bound.

"There is another and a far more obvious difference from 1914. The whole of the warring nations are engaged, not only soldiers, but the entire population of men, women and children. The fronts are everywhere. Trenches are dug in towns and cities. Every village is fortified and every road barred."

"The front line runs through factories, workmen are soldiers with different weapons, but with the same courage. These are great and distinctive changes from what many of us saw in the struggle of a quarter of a century ago."

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Opium Smuggling Not Profitable At Present

Increase In Demand For Government Product

(Special to the Hongkong Daily Press)

OPIMUM SMUGGLING HAS BECOME HARDLY A PROFITABLE VENTURE. The supply of illicit opium to the hundred and more divans in Hongkong and Kowloon, catering to a large clientele, predominantly Chinese, but including a scattering of Eurasians, has dwindled almost to the point of extinction.

A NUMBER OF FACTORS have contributed to this state of affairs. Predominant among these is the state of uncertainty in the political situation in the Far East.

HONGKONG MARKET

The Hongkong market, though occasionally profitable to smugglers, is a rather small one. The sources of supply of the drug have, it is alleged been cornered by the big operating agencies in Macao, Amoy and elsewhere for sale in more profitable markets.

The mining of South China waters and the Japanese blockade, coupled with a much stricter surveillance of small craft by Police patrol launches in British waters, and by Japanese naval units in adjoining Chinese territorial waters, have made small-scale smuggling an exercise devoid of almost any profit.

In the past, smuggled opium, generally prepared opium and often of a very inferior variety, has been sold at prices coming down to one-seventh and one-eighth of the price of Government opium.

ESTABLISHED CLIENTELE
Peddled by "reliable" local agents, well versed in the tea-house and coffee-shop technique of advertising for the product, it was

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MR. CHURCHILL

BIG K.L. LOAN

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The Federal Council of Malaya has approved of the issue of a loan of over £2,000,000 for the prosecution of the war.

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Self-Conceited Young Man Imprisoned

SEQUEL TO CHOPPER ATTACK ON GIRL IN EARLY HOURS

Found guilty by a jury on a charge of wounding with intent to disfigure a girl, of 17, a commission broker, YEUNG WAI-KING, 21, was sentenced to 21 months' hard labour by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

Yeung was said to have attempted to strangle the girl and later took a chopper and attacked her in the Luk Hoi Tung boarding house in the early hours of July 13.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, appeared for the prosecution, assisted by Insp. J. O'Donovan.

The following jury was empanelled: Messrs. F. Challen (foreman), A. Flisaut, James Choa, Charles Lam Chiu, Chen Sam, Kin Yao-gee and Yu King-po.

The accused met the complainant, Li Wun-lin, sometime in January and they became friends. It was alleged that on several occasions they spent the night in the Luk Hoi Tung boarding house. Later in the year, the accused took her to a friend's house where they lived together for two or three months. The girl left Yeung and went to reside at No. 8, Aberdeen Street.

PURCHASED CHOPPER

Yeung met the complainant on July 11 and took her to the Luk Hoi Tung boarding house where they stayed for two days. It was alleged that the accused purchased a chopper.

Early on the morning of July 13, the girl was awakened by the accused, who had both hands round her neck and attempted to strangle her. They struggled and complainant fell onto the floor. She then saw the accused reaching for a chopper and the next thing she knew was when several blows were delivered on her head and body. She was rendered unconscious and awoke in the hospital.

The alarms raised by the girl attracted the attention of servants who broke in and took the accused and handed him over to the custody of a policeman.

In evidence, Li Wun-lin said that when she first met the accused he told her that he was an interpreter attached to the Central Police Station.

REPUTATION RUINED

Before sentence was passed, Yeung asked for leniency and said that his reputation had been ruined as a result of the case.

"You are a most self-conceited, self-opinionated young man—that I or anyone else here has seen for many long days," said the Chief Justice, who also remarked that the accused had not hesitated to ruin the name of the girl, but had the greatest objection to anyone doing so.

"Because your reputation was suffering, and your friends were laughing at you and you lost face, you had not a thought for the girl herself. The jury have very properly found you guilty of a major offence of wounding with intent to disfigure."

"It is a little late in the day to pity yourself regarding your reputation."

SHUMSHUIPO FRACAS

Triad Members Fight Over Waitress

A free-for-all between two triad societies took place in Nam Chang Street, Shumshuiipo, on Monday night, as a result of which two persons were removed to Kowloon Hospital suffering severe injuries.

It appears that shortly before midnight several members of one triad society went to a tea house in Nam Chang Street, demanding that a waitress in that establishment join their ranks.

VARIETY OF WEAPONS

The waitress, who was already a member of another triad society, called for assistance from her "protector," who immediately despatched a gang of fighters to the scene. There, after some argument over which society had jurisdiction over the area, a fight started.

About 20 persons participated and a variety of weapons were brought into use.

The police were summoned, but both parties had scattered before their arrival, leaving behind the injured.

Draw For Open Lawn Bowls Singles

The Open Singles lawn bowls competition for the Colony championship will start on Sept. 1.

The following draw for the first round is announced:—

W. J. Burling v. H. White, J. S. Landolt v. A. K. Minu, A. R. Minu v. E. F. Pope, A. Hyde Lay v. W. McNeill, E. de Souza v. W. V. Field, F. Goodwin v. S. M. Rumjahn, J. Pau v. W. J. Howard, A. R. Dallas v. M. Y. Adal, T. W. Carr v. Y. Abbas, E. V. Seale v. C. Gowland, J. F. McGowan v. R. Morrison, R. Duncan v. M. R. Abbas, A. Brooksbank v. J. M. Jack, A. J. J. v. C. E. Marques, H. F. Harper v. Y. H. Tang, J. F. V. Ribeiro v. T. Madar, A. Morton v. A. J. Coelho, D. W. Waterton v. W. C. Simpson, H. Overy v. W. Ward, J. E. Noronha v. A. M. Holland, J. C. Aitken v. C. Dowman.

V. Chittenden v. W. K. Way, L. F. Xavier v. J. G. Meyer, C. W. Lam v. J. E. Henson, L. Jack v. McCutcheon, R. P. Phillips v. B. Basto, F. X. Soares v. E. C. Fincher, C. G. Silva v. V. N. Attienza, W. S. Dall v. J. J. Basto, G. H. Sheriff v. M. L. Alarcon, P. Morgan v. R. F. Luz, E. G. Post v. W. Gill.

C. M. Silva v. W. L. Walker, F. J. Jones v. A. F. Paul, C. S. Rosset v. A. A. Lewis, A. Bower v. M. N. Rakusen, M. Ferguson v. J. H. Gelling, R. Coleman v. A. E. Coates, J. K. Sloan v. A. E. Carey, J. C. Gill v. A. W. Grimmit, R. S. Meadows v. C. C. Pereira, R. MacKenzie v. R. Basa, and B. A. Mansell v. J. N. Wong.

The following have drawn byes into the second round:—G. Perkins, F. P. Anslow, W. Harris, J. E. Hayward, A. W. Hircok, F. X. M. Silva, J. C. Remedios, H. A. Alves, C. H. Basto, A. H. Rumjahn, J. McKelvie, R. O. Hughes, A. Eastman, A. J. Hall, H. E. Strange, W. R. Hillyer, S. Eccleshall, M. J. Medina, U. M. Omar (holder), A. M. Omar and W. Hong Sling.

The dates and venues for the matches will be announced in the course of the week.

OPEN PAIRS 4TH ROUND

Fourth Round matches in the Open Pairs Championship will be played on Monday, Aug. 23. The following is the draw.

At Kowloon Bowling Green Club, A. W. Grimmit and F. J. Jones v. C. Dowman and C. Channing; winners of Eccleshall and Stevens against Coleman and Ferguson v. Burling and Rakusen.

At Club de Recreio, A. Simmonds and F. Goodwin v. winners of A. Razaek and C. S. Rosset against T. N. Madar and A. Bone.

At Civil Service C.C., W. Gill and G. Duncan v. A. M. Omar and U. M. Omar; R. Basa and J. S. Landolt v. A. Watson and R. Keown.

At Craigengower C.C., Gellatly and Collyer v. C. F. Needham and Brooksbank.

At Kowloon Football Club (on Wednesday, Aug. 23), F. H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro v. J. Peckham and W. McNeill; L. J. Silva and J. F. V. Ribeiro v. R. Phillips and T. E. Henson.

Players are reminded that should the dates fixed for the matches prove inconvenient, they should make arrangements themselves to have the games played off within a fortnight of these dates. The games must, however, be played on the greens allotted by the draw.

SHANGHAI BANKER IN COLONY

Mr. Ling Kang-hou, well-known Shanghai banker and member of the China Red Cross Society, arrived here from Shanghai on Monday.

He is remaining here for some time during which he will confer with members of the Society on first aid matters.

BUTTERFLY STROKE RECOGNISED

COLONY SWIMMING INNOVATIONS

The Colony Swimming Championships, to be held from September 23 to 28 at the Victoria Recreation Club Pool will include a full programme of events for women. In past years, there was only a single event for women, the 100 Yards Free Style.

In the Championships this year, there will be races for women at 50 Yards Free Style, 400 Yards Free Style, 100 Yards Breast Stroke, and 100 Yards Back Stroke. There will also be a 150 Yards Medley Relay and a 200 Yards Free Style Relay for women.

An innovation of major importance in the men's events will be the recognition of the Butterfly Stroke. This stroke has already been accepted in Shanghai. The 200 Yards Free Style and the 150 Yards Medley Relays for men will be recognised as Championship events.

ARMY TO STAGE AQUATIC GALA

Another quadrangular swimming gala may be held on August 31 when Army will be the hosts to three other teams. Invitations to the gala, to be held at the new Army swimming bath at Victoria Barracks, are being sent to the Lai Tsun Swimming Union, the Victoria Recreation Club and the European Y.M.C.A.

It is learned the big events will be the 200 Yards Back Stroke, 440 Yards Free Style and 200 Yards Medley Relay (each swimmer to swim 68 2/3 Yards).

Royal Signals beat the Royal Scots by five goals to two in a water polo match played on Monday.

CHESS NIGHT AT Y.M.C.A.

Chess in Hongkong has now yet another centre of activity. The European Y.M.C.A., where chess evenings have been held for some weeks past, have decided on a regular Tuesday evening of chess.

If sufficient interest is awakened in the game among "Y" members, a chess committee may be formed in the near future to put all chess activity on a more organised basis.

ARMY LEAGUE TENNIS

The following are the results of Army League Tennis matches played on Monday:

The 5th A.A. Regt., R.A., beat the R.A.M.C. by five sets to four; Royal Engineers beat the 12th Battery, R.A., by seven sets to two; 2nd Battalion, the Royal Scots, beat 12th Battery, Royal Artillery, by five sets to four; and Seaforth Highlanders beat Royal Corps of Signals by six sets to three.

H.K. Tourists Win At Rangoon

RANGOON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The Sing Tao football team yesterday won the first of the three games when they beat the Civilian team by two goals after a goalless first half.

Sing Tao are returning via Singapore and Manila.

SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

BOWLS.—Inter-Department Meeting at Police R.C., 6 p.m.
TENNIS.—"C" Division, Kowloon C.C. v. Army; Jewish R.C. v. Recreio "A"; Recreio "B" v. Chinese R.C.; Police v. C.B.A.; University v. South China; Kowloon Indians v. Kowloon Tong.

TOMORROW
TENNIS.—"D" Division, Chinese R.C. "A" v. Indian R.C.

SATURDAY AUGUST 24
LAWN BOWLS.—First Division: Recreio "A" v. Recreio "B"; Craigengower v. Indian R.C.; Kowloon C.C. v. Police R.C.; Kowloon B.C.C. v. Kowloon Dock; Civil Service C.C. v. Hongkong Football Club; Second Division: Craigengower v. Civil Service; Talkoo v. Kowloon Football C.; Kowloon B.C.C. v. Club de Recreio; Kowloon Tong v. Hongkong C.C.; Police R.C. v. Yowloon C.C.

TENNIS WASHED OUT

Rain washed out all Tennis League matches that were to have been played at Hongkong and Kowloon yesterday.

U.S. BASEBALL RESULTS

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The following are the results of League baseball matches played yesterday:—

AMERICAN
Cleveland..... R. H. E.
Heath, Weatherly and Trosky (homered)..... 7 12 2
Boston..... 10 14 1
(Farr, Williams, Dover and Tabor homered).

The games between Detroit and New York, and Chicago and Philadelphia were postponed owing to rain.

NATIONAL
New York..... R. H. E.
(Ott homered)..... 9 14 0
Cincinnati..... 2 7 1
(Goodman homered)
Boston..... 3 9 0
(Erickson pitched)
Pittsburgh..... 0 9 1

Visitors to Canada this summer will ride through the Dominion in some of the Canadian National Railways cars, which were used last year on the Royal train of King George and Queen Elizabeth as these cars have been returned to normal service on Canadian National trains.

Measures For Improvement In Refuse Disposal

DR. A. M. RODRIGUES' RESOLUTION BEFORE URBAN COUNCIL

Moving that "whereas it has been shown that the present form of refuse disposal is capable of improvement in detail and the hope expressed that they might be carried out at an early date, be it resolved that Government be recommended to adopt without delay the measures for improvement contemplated by the Urban Council," at an extraordinary meeting of the Urban Council held yesterday, Dr. A. M. Rodrigues said that he had an object in endeavouring to advance discussion by the resolution.

Dr. Rodrigues said that an expression of thanks was due to the Chairman for his statement that "measures for improvement in detail are needed and would be carried out at an early date," and his specification of "better supervision that should reduce the amount of illicit sorting of refuse on the Praya."

Dr. Rodrigues added that he could not too strongly commend to his colleagues on the board the spirit of official co-operation underlying the utterances which the series of questions called forth from the Chairman.

HAS DOUBTS
"From what I have heard of the fate of certain of the recommendations of the Budget Department Sub-Committees in the past," went on Dr. Rodrigues, "I have my doubts that the recommendations outlined by the Chairman three weeks ago for very desirable improvements for garbage disposal, are going to be adopted in their entirety."

With a view to defeating the shelving of any part of the improvement scheme which the Chairman and his technical advisers have seen fit to recommend, I think advantage should be taken of a public discussion."

Dr. Rodrigues revealed that part of the expenditure likely to be incurred by the Chairman's scheme of improvement was a provisional charge on public funds likely to yield profit out of the future sale of reclaimed land, as for instance, the Lai-chi-kok reclamation. "Quite apart from financial considerations, what the Urban Council is most concerned with is public health protection," concluded Dr. Rodrigues.

After discussion, the Council agreed to refer the matter to a select committee for investigation and to report to the Council after which a recommendation will be made to Government.

PROPOSAL ADOPTED
In connexion with a scheme to initiate a system of scavenging of the 26 villages in the vicinity of Kowloon City, a proposal that the number of scavenging coolies be increased by 36 was adopted by the Council and will be recommended to Government.

A further application for per-

AGREEMENT REACHED

Indo-China-Yunnan Border To Re-open

Transportations between French Indo-China and Yunnan will soon resume following and agreement reached between Vice-Admiral J. Decoux, Governor-General, and the Chinese representatives according to reports received from Hanoi by local importers.

It is further learned that the Indo-China authorities have refused the Japanese request of counting Chinese stocks in Indo-China.

Since the closing of the Indo-China-Yunnan border, Hongkong exports to Indo-China was at a standstill and the report was received with great enthusiasm.

mission to use the basement of No. 1, Hill Wood Road, as a shop was refused as was a factory licence for No. 177, Portland Street, ground floor.

THOSE PRESENT
The following were present at the meeting:—

Mr. G. S. Kennedy-Skipiton (Chairman), Dr. N. C. Macleod, Deputy Director of Health Services (Vice-Chairman), Hon. Mr. H. J. Pearce, Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Mr. F. C. Hall, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Mr. A. el Arculli, Dr. S. N. Chau, Mr. B. Wong Tape, Mr. Tang Shu-kin, Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, Mr. Li Tse-fong, Mr. C. J. Roe (Secretary) and Mr. Im Ping-tseung (Asst. Secretary).



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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

1.30 Compositions of Sibelius.
Belshazzar's Feast Opus 51 — 1.

Oriental Procession; 2. Solitude; 3.
Night Music; 4. Khadim's Dance—Lan-
don Symphony Orchestra. Flickan
von Iran sin Alskings Mote—Marion
Anderson (Contralto). Tone Poem
"Finlandia"—Leopold Stokowski and
the Philadelphia Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Patricia Rossborough and Robinson Cleaver.

Nola (Arndt); The Wedding of the Painted Doll; Carefree—Selection; That Certain Age—Selection.

1.15 Nat Gonella's Georgians.

Footprints—The Mayor of Alabama: Your Feet's too Big; Quickstep—Get Hot Footprints—Bring 'em Back Alive; Who Stole the Tiger's Rug.

1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Variety Programme.

Vocal—Whos, Josephine; There's No one with Endurance—Frank Crumit; Sketches—A Record Broadcast; The Supper-Hot—Parlophone Sketch Company. "French as she is learnt"—Andre Chariot, Gwen Farrar, Norah Blany, and Ed. Cooper. Piano Medley—The Town Talks—Vivian Ellis. "Atmospherics"—Andre Chariot, Edward Cooper and Reginald Smith.

2.15 Close down.

6.00 Selections from Ballet Music. The Queen of Sheba (Goldmark). Chicago Symphony Orch. Rosamunde (Schubert)—State Opera Orchestra. Faust (Gounod)—Symphony Orchestra.

6.25 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.30 An Hour of Dance Music.

Footprints—You've got to take your Pick and Swing; You can't stop me from Dreaming—George Elrick and his Swing Music Makers. I'm Happy when You're Happy; The First Time I saw You—Jay Wilbur's Band. Tango—Night on the La Plata; Buen Amigo—Juan Llozas and His Orchestra. Quickstep—You're here, You're There, You're Everywhere; Footprints—Sunset in Vienna—Henry Jacques Orchestra. Slow Footprints—Broken-hearted Glow; Footprints—Why can't we make Love—Harry Roy's Orchestra. Congo—La Havana a Paris; Rumba—Cachita—Lecuna Cuban Boys. Footprints—Foolish Heart; Who Loves You—Ronnie Munro's Orchestra. When a Lady Meets a Gentleman down South; Taint no Use—Teddy Foster and His Kings of Swing. Girls were made to Love and

Kiss; Waltz—Love live for Ever and Rule my Heart—Jack Hylton's Orchestra. Slow-Fox Trot—The Mood that I'm in—Carroll Gibbons and the Savoy Hotel Orpheans.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

8.03 Studio—Recital by Elvie Yuen (Soprano) with A. T. Lay at the Piano.

1. (a) Dedications; (b) Night (R. Strauss); (c) Through the Long Days; (d) Rondo (Elgar)—Elvie Yuen. 2. Reverie (York Bowen)—A. T. Lay. 3. (a) Who Goes By? (East-hony Martin); (b) Good Morning, Brother Sunshine (Lehmann); (c) Morning (Oley Speaks).

8.30 An Orchestral Concert with Dennis Noble.

Le Carnival Romain—Overture (Berlioz)—London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. Sir Thomas Beecham. Valse Triste—Kulema (Sibelius)—Chicago Symphony Orchestra. Silent Worship (Handel); I Bless the Dawn that brought me you (Haydn Wood)—Dennis Noble (Soprano). Toy Symphony (Haydn)—British Symphony Orchestra.

9.00 London Relay—The News.

9.30 London Relay—Matters of Moment.

9.45 Rachmaninoff—Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini.

Played by the Composer with the Philadelphia-Symphony-Orch.

10.10 Some Operatic Duets.

La Gioconda—Enzo Grimaldo. Prince of Santiflor—Gigli (Tenor) and De Luca (Soprano). The Pearl Fishers—"In the depths of the Temple"—Gigli and De Luca. La Boheme—"Lovely Maid in the Moonlight"—Pampaloni and Borgoli.

10.25 Violin Solos.

Praeludium and Allegro (Pugnani). Gullia Bustabo. Serenade (Toselli). Serenade (Pierne)—Renée Chenev.

10.35 Destroy Somers Band.

Northern and Southern Memories: 1. Savoy Russian Memories; 2. Savoy Southern Memories. Lucky Break—Selection; Shipwrecks of Mine—Descriptive Hallied Intro. The Spanish Mail Drake Goes West, Heart of Oak, Glory of the Sea, Hymn for Sailors. Finale.

11.00 Close down.

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G.S.G.	17.79mc (16.89m)	11.11 a.m.
G.S.H.	9.51mc (31.55m)	6.04 a.m.
G.S.L.	21.47mc (13.97m)	6.04 a.m.
G.S.O.	18.19mc (16.47m)	6.04 a.m.

NEWS IN ENGLISH

Transmission	Time
Transmission I—News Summary	4.00 p.m.
Full Bulletin	5.00 p.m.
Trans. II & III—News Summary	6.45 p.m.
Full Bulletin	7.30 p.m.
do	9.15 p.m.
do	12.00 mid-night
Transmission V—News Summary	7.30 a.m.
Full Bulletin	8.30 a.m.

DRIVE TO MAKE CHILDREN READ MORE

A general drive to encourage the reading of more books by Singapore school children by increasing the facilities for school libraries is now being made by local educational authorities.

A lead in the matter of an authorised annual subscription for libraries has been given by the Department of Education, and in a good number of Government and aided schools, today, annual library fees have been imposed. Prior to this only a few of the schools had anything of a library due mainly to lack of finance. The matter was brought up for consideration and discussion at the fifth Malayan educational conference. It is believed that the steps taken by the local authorities have directly resulted from this discussion.

Main point stressed by Mr. T. W. Hinch, Principal of the Anglo-Chinese School, Singapore, at the conference in urging the extension of school libraries, was that it would be one of the best means for the cultivation of the open mind and the broad outlook, and the improvement of written English.

"The libraries, he suggested, should be divided, according to standard, the chief reason being 'the psychological value of the stimulus that comes from finding a new library to explore on going to a new standard.'"

They should also be made to grow up into general or central libraries, more in the nature of reference libraries or specialist libraries, continued Mr. Hinch, adding that these libraries would be of great value particularly when they were developments of school societies.

Mr. Hinch then dealt with public libraries. We tried the experiment of giving a selected group of boys from

COMING EVENTS

AUGUST

21—Tides: High 11.06 a.m. and 11.47 p.m. Low 4.44 a.m. and 5.28 p.m. Sunrise: 6.02 a.m.; Sunset: 6.50 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.).

Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon. Y.M.C.A.: Water-Polo Match, 7 p.m.; Swimming.

Police Recreation Club—Govt. Lawn Bowls Competition Meeting, 6 p.m. Cheero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m. Kowloon Union Church Club Meeting, 8 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Demonstration of Bandage Practice for Ladies' Working Party, 9 a.m.—10 a.m. Volunteer Nursing Detachment, Practical Class, Military Hospital, 4.30 p.m.

Auxiliary Nursing Service, First Aid Lecture, Queen Mary Hospital.

22—Tides: High 11.32 a.m.; Low 5.25 a.m. and 5.52 p.m. Sunrise: 6.03 a.m.; Sunset: 6.50 p.m. H.K. Y's Men's Club Tiffin Meeting, St. Francis Hotel.

Cheero Club, Bridge and Mahjong. Volunteer Nursing Detachment Entertainment Committee, Cheero Club, 5.15 p.m.

Victoria Chess Club, Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.

Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

Craigengower C.C.: Weekly Whist Drive, 9 p.m.

St. Andrew's Ladies' Working Party (Medical), 10 a.m.

Chinese Chamber of Commerce Executive Committee Meeting, 2.30 p.m.

23—Tides: High 12.08 a.m. and 11.58 a.m. Low 6.03 a.m. and 6.19 p.m. Sunrise: 6.03 a.m.; Sunset: 6.49 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.).

Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon. Cheero Club, Darts and Table Tennis.

24—Tides: High 12.29 a.m. and 12.26 p.m. Low 6.57 a.m. and 6.40 p.m. Sunrise: 6.03 a.m.; Sunset: 6.49 p.m. Catholic Cathedral, Requiem Mass for the late Governor of Macao, 9 a.m.

25—Tides: High 12.39 a.m. and 1.13 p.m. Low 8.04 a.m. and 6.58 p.m. Sunrise: 6.03 a.m.; Sunset: 6.47 p.m. Claims against estate of Jean Filomena Sales due at French Consulate, Shamshen.

26—Tides: High 1.44 a.m. and 2.34 p.m. Low 9.38 a.m. and 7.07 p.m. Sunrise: 6.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.46 p.m. Government Trade School, Entrance Examination.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon. Auxiliary Nursing Service, Home Nursing Lecture, Queen Mary Hospital.

St. Andrew's Fellowship official opening, 8.30 p.m.

27—Tides: High 2.38 a.m. and 4.57 p.m. Low 11.11 a.m. and 7.28 p.m. Sunrise: 6.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.45 p.m. Black-Out Exercise from 6.45 p.m. H.K. Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd. Interim Dividend payable.

28—Tides: High 3.46 a.m. and 6.55 p.m. Low 12.14 a.m. and 8.47 p.m. Sunrise: 6.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.44 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.).

Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon. Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club Annual Meeting, 6 p.m.

Auxiliary Nursing Service, Home Nursing Lecture, Queen Mary Hospital.

29—Tides: High 4.57 a.m. and 7.36 p.m. Low 1.02 a.m. and 11.27 p.m. Sunrise: 6.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.43 p.m. Claims against estate of Thomas Bradford (Fisher) due.

Auxiliary Nursing Service, First Aid Lecture, Kowloon Hospital (for initials A to L).

30—Tides: High 6.02 a.m. and 8.04 p.m. Low 1.42 p.m. Sunrise: 6.05 a.m.; Sunset: 6.42 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.).

Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon. Diocesan Boys' School—Test for new boys, 9 a.m.

Auxiliary Nursing Service, First Aid Lecture, Kowloon Hospital for initials M to Z.

Kowloon Football Club, Annual Meeting, 6 p.m.

31—Tides: High 7.03 a.m. and 8.37 p.m. Low 12.43 a.m. and 2.21 p.m. Sunrise: 6.05 a.m.; Sunset: 6.41 p.m. Final Date for Payment of Property Tax.

Brighton Town Council decided to disband three Corporation employees who have registered as conscientious objectors. Weymouth Town Council also decided not to employ conscientious objectors nor to reinstate them after the war.

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Powerful Drama At King's Today

A powerful drama of life in a North Woods lumber camp will make its local debut today when the new Warner Bros. picture, "King of the Lumberjacks" opens at the King's Theatre.

Set in a rugged background "King of the Lumberjacks" starts John Payne and Gloria Dickson and crashes to the screen in a blaze of heart-pounding thrills, emerging as a lusty drama of the feud-swept timber lands.

John Payne gives a vital portrayal of a young man who comes to work in a lumber camp and

proves that he can master the hardships and rugged life of the camp. Beautiful Gloria Dickson is superb as a woman who is faced with the problem of being loyal to a husband she respects but cannot love.

Stanley Fields proves his mettle as a fine actor in a role that combines the ferocity of a lumber crew boss with the awkwardness of a tough woodsman in love.

The supporting cast including Joe Sawyer, Victor Kilian and Herbert Raymond all give fine performances, and give the film a genuine he-man atmosphere. The strong screenplay was written by Crane Wilbur from a story by Robert E. Kent. The direction was in the capable hands of William Clemens.

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PILOT RAMS RAIDER IN SUNDAY'S AIR ATTACKS

Nazis Lose 568 Planes In Week — Official Figure

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter). — An Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communique states: "Reports have now been received of the destruction of three more enemy bombers on Sunday, bringing the total up to 144. Two of these were shot down by Blenheim aircraft of the Coastal Command.

"The third was destroyed by a sergeant pilot of an unarmed Anson aircraft of the Training Command. Whether he intentionally rammed the raider will never be known. The two aircraft collided and fell to the ground interlocked.

"Yesterday's enemy activities over this country have been on a minor scale. Only intermittent attacks have been attempted by aircraft operating in small numbers.

"Damage by bombs was done to houses in a town in Essex and to a village in Norfolk. A dock in South Wales was attacked but damage was confined to an oil tank which was set on fire.

"Several R.A.F. aerodromes were also attacked. There were a number of casualties.

"Reports so far confirm that two enemy bombers were shot down by our fighters."

CURTAIN OF FIRE

LONDON, August 20 (Reuter). — Nazi raiders on Sunday met with a curtain of fire put up by anti-aircraft batteries from Essex to Hampshire.

UNRELIABILITY OF NAZI NEWS SERVICE

LONDON, August 20 (Reuter). — The unreliability of the German news service has again been convincingly demonstrated by neutral observers. The German wireless claimed on August 16 that the German planes "in unprecedented number have been for many hours over London. In the opinion of foreigners living in London it was the greatest air offensive the world has ever witnessed."

Yet an American commentator broadcasting from London said "American correspondents in Fleet Street neither saw nor heard any German planes."

PORT CLOSED!

Akaki, the Germans said they had closed one of Britain's biggest ports.

The American commentator who went to investigate said on August 18: "A thorough and unrestricted inspection of the vast docks showed that ships from all parts of the world were unloading cargoes of all kinds—wheat from Canada, oil from the United States, meats from Australia and minerals from South America."

Morgenthau Leaves New York

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (Reuter). — Mr. Henry Morgenthau, U.S. Secretary of Treasury, left Beacon, N.Y., yesterday for an undisclosed destination in Canada.

It is understood Mr. Morgenthau will be away for about a fortnight. His departure has aroused speculation that the visit may be connected with the United States-Canada defence plans.

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ADMIRALTY CASUALTY LIST

33 Officers Killed In "Glorious" Sinking

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter). — The casualties in the aircraft carrier *Glorious*, lost off Norway in June, totalled 1,204. It was revealed in the casualty list issued by the Admiralty.

Captain G. Doyly Hughes, D.S.O., D.S.C., in command, was among the 33 officers killed, and also Lieut-Commander C. H. Wells, son of Sir Richard Wells, M.P.

In addition 43 officers are posted as missing. Of the ratings, 71 were killed, one died of wounds and 889 missing.

R.A.F. casualties were 5 killed and 36 missing. The Naafi canteen staff and Maltese ratings also figured in the list.

Earlier a German bomber was brought down in the south-west.

OFFICIAL FIGURES

LONDON, August 20 (Reuter). — It is officially stated that during the past seven days' air fighting, 513 Nazi raiders have been shot down.

Of these, 374, or 73 per cent, or the total, were bombers or fighter bombers.

It is learned that the figure of 513 (given as the number of Nazi planes shot down in the last seven days' air fighting over England) refers to Nazi planes shot down by fighters.

The total German losses in the seven days was 568.

CIVILIANS KILLED

LONDON, August 20 (Reuter). — Three civilians were killed and several seriously injured when an enemy plane dropped a bomb on the east end of London.

R.A.F. fighters attacked the enemy which is believed to have been shot down.

NAZI AIR BLITZ WILL BE INTENSIFIED

EXPERT COMMENT ON RECENT RAIDS

LONDON, August 20 (Reuter). — Well-informed observers emphasised yesterday Britain's most outstanding challenge to Nazi air hopes with the following comments, writes Reuter's air war correspondent.

Firstly, almost 25 per cent of the German raiders on Sunday were brought down.

Secondly, for the first time whole enemy squadrons were destroyed.

DEADLY A.A. FIRE

Thirdly, the shell barrage defence by A.A. gunners proved deadly.

Fourthly, the enemy, however, were thrown by daylight against the best defended port in the world—London.

Fifthly, British fighters are forging an answer to the question, "How do the Nazis plan an invasion or blockade?"

Sixthly, blockade cannot be sustained at the present rate of German losses which total nearly 1,000 since June 10.

Seventhly, the English Channel, thanks to the R.A.F., Navy and Mercantile Marine, remains the English Channel.

INVASION POSTPONED?

Eighthly, it does not follow that the Nazis will try an invasion now, with the Luftwaffe acting its well-known role as leader of the army attack.

Ninthly, the bombing of British airfields and aircraft production centres will probably be intensified. There may be a new wave of wanton destruction and terrorism.

Meanwhile, the R.A.F. is expected to increase the weight of its offensive as well as defensive action against Germany and German-occupied territories more and more.

SECESSION OF FRENCH OCCASIONED BRITISH SOMALILAND EVACUATION

Bravery, Skill Recognised In War Office Communique

LONDON, August 20 (Reuter). — A War Office communique announcing the evacuation of Somaliland states: "The original depositions in Somaliland were based on a scheme of close Anglo-French co-operation under which the French forces in Djibouti were to hold the right flank—pivot of the whole position.

"With the sudden secession of the French Government from participation in further hostilities a new and grave situation was created. More than half the available Allied force had been neutralised and it became immediately necessary to decide upon more effective measures for dealing with the emergency.

"Various alternatives were open to us. We could reinforce British Somaliland in sufficient strength to ensure its safety but that would have involved employing important reserves and thereby weakening the reserves in other theatres of war more important to our immediate war effort than Somaliland.

TIME FACTOR

The time factor was also an important consideration and this plan was therefore reluctantly abandoned.

"Another alternative was immediate and unhesitating evacuation which meant abandoning British territory without fighting and thereby losing an opportunity of inflicting losses on the enemy in men and material which it will be difficult for him to replace.

"A third course was to remain with our small force, using it to inflict maximum losses on the enemy until withdrawal becomes inevitable. This course was chosen and the evacuation of Somaliland has now been successfully completed.

TROOPS PRAISED

"Our force has been withdrawn. All guns, except two lost in the earlier stage of the action, have been embarked. A great part of the material stores and equipment have also been evacuated and the remainder destroyed. Our wounded were safely brought away.

"British, Rhodesian, Indian, African and Somali troops, working in closest co-operation with the Navy and the R.A.F., carried out their roles with conspicuous skill and bravery against greatly superior strength.

"Enemy losses, particularly among Blackshirt Units, have been heavy and out of all propor-

CABLE NEWS IN BRIEF

LONDON, August 20 (Reuter). — Mr. Winston Churchill will make a statement at the end of question time in the House of Commons today.

The statement is expected to be in the nature of a general review and will cover all theatres of war. It will be publicly debated afterwards.

GIBRALTAR, Aug. 20 (Reuter). — General-Grande, the new Governor of Algebras, is to pay an official visit to the governor of Gibraltar on Wednesday, and will arrive in a Spanish warship.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter). — The Senate Appropriations Committee have approved the Appropriations Bill, providing funds for a two-ocean navy and equipping an army of 1,200,000 men.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter). — The Senate yesterday unanimously approved legislation permitting United States ships to bring children from the war zone.

The Bill is now being sent to the House of Representatives for action on minor Senate amendments.

LONDON, August 20 (Reuter). — Several liners carrying about 700 children from Britain entered an eastern Canadian port late yesterday.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter). — A German Embassy spokesman here said yesterday that although the American Legion, which is carrying American citizens from the Baltic countries back to the United States, would not be attacked by German air or naval forces, the refugee transport was probably in an area of "grave danger."

He added: "We are concerned about the danger of mines which we no longer can control."

LONDON, August 20 (Reuter). — A fifth Newfoundland artillery contingent has arrived at a British port.

proposals is considered to be entirely unsatisfactory. Calm prevails here, however, and no immediate action is expected.

ILL-TREATMENT OF PARACHUTE TROOPS

Reprisals Threat In Note To Britain

LONDON, August 20 (Reuter). — Germany, through the Swiss Government, is said to have sent a note to the British Government describing the uniform and distinguishing marks of German parachute troops.

After referring to previous instances in which it was alleged that German parachute troops were ill-used, the note states that if they receive any treatment not in conformity with International Law, the reply will be serious reprisals against members of the British Air Force.

It is stated in authoritative circles that the British Government have not yet received this note.

CANNOT STAND INVESTIGATION?

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter). — Mr. Sumner Welles, the Acting Secretary of State, announced that Germany had advised the United States that Dr. Friedrich Reidel, one of her consuls in New York, was being transferred from America as the result of the State Department's investigations into his activities.

It is understood that Reidel will be appointed Consul-General in Kobe.

EXPANSION OF INDIAN ARMY

LONDON, August 20 (Reuter). — The rapid expansion of the Indian Army has necessitated an additional twenty to thirty thousand military vehicles.

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LENGTHY JUDGMENT BY MAGISTRATE IN POLICE COURT CASE

Barber Who Could Appease Spirit Heavily Fined

CONVICTED OF TAKING MONEY from a woman by representing himself to be in a position to appease a certain spirit on her behalf, Lau On, 32, a barber, was fined \$200, in default three months' hard labour, by Mr. E. Himsforth at Kowloon Court yesterday. He was also ordered to pay restitution of \$100 or serve another two months' hard labour.

Sub-Insp. T. K. Whelan prosecuted and Mr. C. D'Almada appeared for defendant.

It was alleged that complainant, Leung Wah-tol, a baby amah, had given a total of \$900 to defendant after she had been told by him that her Lucky Star was at a low altitude and he could influence its return to the proper level, if she would make a sacrifice of some expensive object.

Defendant denied the allegation and said that he was in no way connected with a fortune-telling business, either directly or indirectly.

JUDGMENT

A written judgment delivered by Mr. Himsforth the Kowloon Magistrate stated:

"This is a case where the Magistrate deciding is called upon to act in his capacity as jury rather than judge, for the questions at issue are purely those of fact. We have here two stories, one told by the witnesses for the prosecution of an amazing swindle and the other told by the defence of a sordid relationship which finished up with a false accusation.

The story told by the prosecution bristles with discrepancies and inconsistencies while that of the defence is cut and dried, straightforward and was not shaken on cross-examination. And yet I believe that the story told by the prosecution witnesses is the correct version of what happened.

PARTED WITH \$900

The evidence of the first two witnesses for the prosecution is the story of how they parted with \$900 and a gold coin to the defendant to appease the spirit of a mu tsai kicked to death by the first witness in a previous life. These two women, and in particular the first, are ignorant, credulous and gullible women, whose chief grievance seems to be, not that they have been robbed by a rogue, but that about two thirds of the money which should have been returned was never forthcoming.

Telling a story which is four months old, working in collaboration on this enterprise because they were convinced that in their previous existence they were sisters, it is not surprising that the standard of intelligence displayed in giving that evidence should result in the many inconsistencies which the evidence shows. Indeed I should have questioned the evidence had it been otherwise.

LOW MENTAL CAPACITY

The first witness's mental capacity is well below the average, and throughout she obviously did not have, and still does not have, a very clear idea of how much of the money which she paid the defendant on her own account and how much she paid for the second witness. Second witness is more precise in the amounts for which she knew she was responsible, and it was because we have only been dealing with the complaint of the first witness and that because I could only feel sure that \$280 of the money paid by the first witness were paid on her sole account, that I amended the charge accordingly.

I am asked by the defence to believe that this story of the prosecution is a trumped up charge brought by the first witness to allay the pangs of a broken heart. But to believe that this could be so is to admit that the first witness is capable of connecting a story which is fantastic in its conception, ingenious in its detail, and should be perfect in its presentation. The mind that can conceive of such a cleverly contrived story would clothe it in a much more consistent language in the witness box. Moreover I am at a loss to understand why the second witness should come and corroborate the first witness's story if merely to support a cock and bull story. There is no blood, contractual, or even amicable relationship between them to suggest that they should conspire in the manner alleged by the defence.

WATERTIGHT STORY
But this reduction ad absurdum method is not the best way to adduce the real value of evidence.

I do not overlook the fact that the defendant's story is watertight and is supported by witnesses, who agreed with him in all details. But a consistent story even while it must be given its due weight does not on that account alone always overrule less consistent evidence, for otherwise any smart Alec, as I believe this defendant to be, could prey upon credulous women and then come to the Court with a manufactured story and seek the court's protection for his nefarious practices.

But having listened to the evidence of the witnesses for the prosecution and those for the defence I am absolutely certain in my own mind that the first witness gave a true account of what happened four months ago. Her evidence was given with conviction and in spite of her poor presentation of it, nevertheless rang true. I was equally impressed by the support of the second witness, who was much clearer on details.

BASE METHODS

But I thought after the defendant's evidence that his story was a tissue of lies. True it was supported by witnesses who collaborated in full. It was the same story, cast in the same mould and agreeing therefore in the most minute details. My impression of the defendant was that he was lying and so were his confederates; and in his lying he did not refrain from stooping to employ the basest methods of besmirching the moral character of the first witness. I do not believe that she is the moral reprobate which defendant has painted her. I do not believe that she ever spent a night with the defendant in a hotel (although no doubt he did); I do not believe she ever knew the defendant before this incident or kept his company except for the day she had him arrested. Having heard and seen both parties in the box I am satisfied the story for the prosecution is the correct version of what happened and I think that any jury which had the same opportunity of hearing this case would come to the same conclusion.

A highly interesting short feature on baseball, entitled "Pennant Chasers" is due for screening at the Queen's Theatre this week-end together with the film "Primrose Path."

BROTHERS GAOLED FOR KIDNAPPING GIRL

No Ill-Treatment: Judge Takes Lenient View

Arraigned before Mr. Justice E. H. Williams at the Criminal Sessions yesterday charged with kidnapping a girl under 14 years of age, CHEUNG FUK, 22, actor and ex-policeman in Canton, and CHEUNG FUI, his brother, were found guilty and were each sentenced to three months' hard labour.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, assisted by Insp. W. N. Dinkin. The jury comprised Messrs. J. E. Kot-wall (foreman), W. G. Long, Chai Poyan, R. E. Hydeman, J. B. Xavier, William Wong and Lam Yuk-lin.

The girl, Chan King-ho, aged 11, lived with her parents in the rear cubicle of No. 22, Wanchai Road. Both defendants occupied the cockpit of the same address.

About 6.30 p.m. on April 17, Li Po-yuk, the mother, went with the girl to Hennessy Road to meet her father. They waited there for thirty minutes but her father failed to turn up. Li then sent her daughter back to see whether her father had arrived home.

THREAT ALLEGED

The Crown alleged that when the girl was on her way home, the two accused met her in Cross Street and threatened her not to return home. Second accused then took her to a tea-house in West Point, while the first accused, who had left the party, joined them later in the cafe.

The men took the girl to Aber-

CRIMINAL SESSIONS

HEAVY SENTENCES FOR BANISHEES

Six banishees pleaded guilty to the charge of breach of the Deportation Ordinance when they appeared before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday. Wong Yau Li Shu-chun and Cheung Luk who were banished for life on various dates in 1939 and this year, were each sentenced to two years' hard labour. A similar sentence was imposed on Ho Kam, who was deported from the Colony in May 1938. He had 10 previous convictions against him.

A sentence of 15 months' hard labour was imposed on Wong Chung, who admitted his seven previous convictions.

LIFE DEPORTEE

In the case against Li Yuet-chun sentence of 18 months' hard labour was imposed.

Li was deported from the Colony for life in August 1939 and was found in Hongkong in July. He told the Court that his wife gave birth to a girl in the third month this year (April) and he had come to see his child and to take her away.

The Chief Justice: Third month this year?—Yes, my Lord, third month this year.

The Chief Justice: Well I won't say any more about it.

REFUGEE CONVICTED

Pleading guilty to the charge of unlawful possession of a revolver and five rounds of ammunition, Wong Kuen, unemployed, was sentenced to nine months' hard labour by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, yesterday.

Wong was arrested on July 11 with the weapon in his possession. He told the Court that he had never been in Hongkong before and he did not know the laws of the Colony. He was a refugee here.

ACCOUNTANT IMPRISONED

Pleading guilty to two out of nine charges of forgery preferred against him Li Hang-yip, alias Li Tan-ping, alias Li Ying-chung, accountant of the Li Man Hing tailor shop, was sentenced to a total term of 12 months' imprisonment by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

Li pleaded guilty to the charges of forgery and receiving money by virtue of a forged document. The Crown did not press the remaining seven charges of forgery, uttering a forged document, receiving a forged document, receiving a postal packet knowing the same to have been obtained by false pretences.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

CONVICTED AND EXPELLED

Chan Chuen, 18, appeared before Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday on a charge of larceny of a gold wrist watch, valued at \$20, from Lau Sau-kin, at Fleming Road near the Oriental Theatre and pleaded not guilty to the charge.

After hearing the evidence of complainant and the Chinese constable who arrested defendant Chan was found guilty by the Magistrate and was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment and also to be expelled from the Colony.

FALSE PRETENCES

Charged with having obtained \$10 from Chan Chun, tea-house waiter, on August 18 by falsely pretending that he was in a position to obtain employment as a

postman for complainant, Li Lai, 23, was sentenced to 14 days' imprisonment with hard labour and was also ordered to be expelled from the Colony by Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday.

Det.-Sgt. T. Cashman appeared for the prosecution.

THEFT OF HAND PUMP

One month's hard labour was imposed on Wong Sing, 26, unemployed by Mr. Lowry yesterday when he was convicted on a charge of the theft of a hand pump from car No. 4108 belonging to the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, of Alexander Building.

Det.-Sgt. T. Cashman prosecuted.

AT KOWLOON

YAU MATI KIDNAPPING SEQUEL

Seven men, who were arrested on Friday following Police investigation into the alleged attempted kidnapping of Mr. Fung Kim-sam, restaurant owner, in Kowloon, appeared on remand yesterday before Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen.

They were Chang Sing alias Chan So-fai, 33; Wong Ping-kwan alias Tong Chui, 22; Lun Ping-po alias Ko Lo, 24; Leung Ki, 23; and Chan Yau-chi, 35.

The first five defendants were also charged with armed robbery at No. 344, Matauwei Road on March 9.

Wong Ping-kwan, Leung Shu-cheung and Li Shu-kai were charged with assaulting Mr. Fung with intent to rob. Leung Shu-cheung was further charged with possession of an automatic pistol and ammunition, and Chan Yau-chi with conspiring to commit a robbery.

Defendants were remanded another three days.

UNAUTHORISED COLLECTION

Two men who posed as representatives of the China Youth Society gave themselves away on Sunday when they visited the house of Det.-Sgt. Bethell, of the Water Police, seeking subscriptions.

Before Mr. E. Himsforth yesterday, the two, So Chun-man, 38, and Lau Fuk-ming, 17, were charged with attempting to obtain money by false pretences.

Sgt. Bethell told the Court that about 2.15 p.m. on Sunday the defendants visited his house and when he asked them if they had a permit to collect money for the China Youth Society, they said they had not.

The defendants were taken to the Society's offices where it was discovered they had not been authorised to make any collections. The first defendant had formerly been employed by the Society, it was discovered.

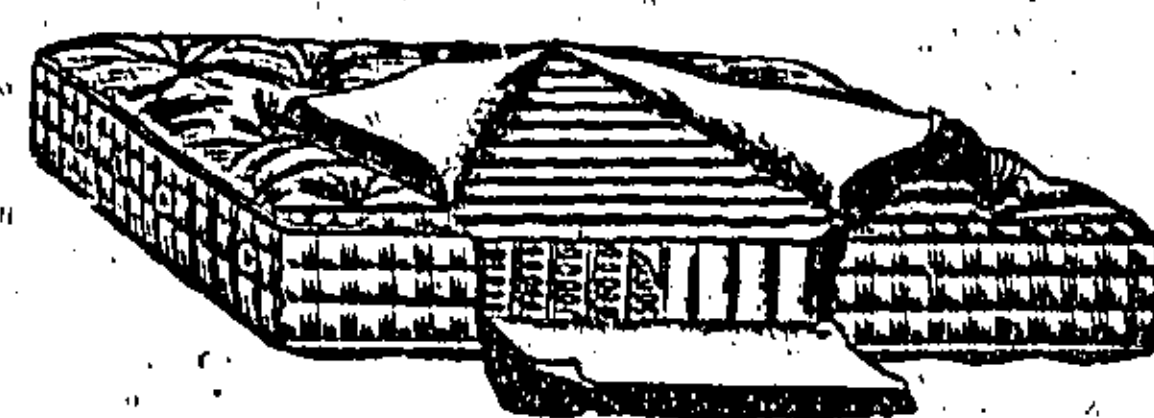
Second defendant was fined \$20 or six weeks while the first defendant was remanded 24 hours for fingerprints.

JUNK FOKS FINED

Three junk foks, Au Wah, 28, Tang Sang, 22, and Tang Yan, 45, appeared before Commr. T. C. Stiff yesterday to a charge of having anchored at a distance less than 100 yards from low water mark near the Cheung Chau Wharf. All defendants pleaded guilty and were fined \$7 each.

Major J. M. Mackintosh-Walker of the Seaforth Highlanders, who was formerly stationed in Shanghai and who was recently reported as missing after the British retreat from the Somme, is now reported to be safe. He escaped from France through Portugal. Details of what must have been an epic escape are not available.

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TRAFFIC SUMMONS

Europeans Fined At Central

Summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy yesterday for not having a licence disc on the windscreen of his car at Queen's Road Central, Mr. C. E. Hyde, of the Kowloon branch of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, pleaded guilty through a representative and was fined \$10.

A salesman of Gilman's Garage, who represented Hyde, said that the latter had a driver's licence. Hyde traded in his car with the Gilman's Garage on July 31 and, on the same day, bought another. The licence disc was sent to Hyde on Saturday morning but it arrived too late to be put on the screen.

Admitting that he had driven car No. 5590 without a valid licence along King's Road, A. Jack, of the R.A.O.C., was fined \$10.

K. E. van Marle, of 20 Conduit Road, summoned for driving car No. 2743 without a valid licence in Repulse Bay Road, was also fined \$10.

Summoned on the same charge D. Hardvilliers did not appear in Court and the case was adjourned to September 10.

COLONY HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the week-ended at midnight, on August 17:—

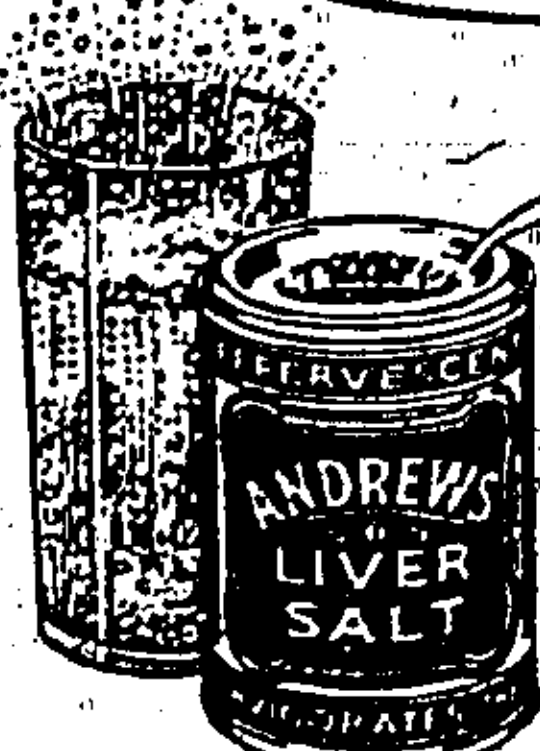
Diphtheria, five cases (three deaths); Enteric Fever, 18 cases (four deaths); Measles, four cases; Cerebro-Spinal Fever, four cases (two deaths); Dysentery, 39 cases (nine deaths); Tuberculosis, 237 cases (four imported) (139 deaths).

DAILY RETURNS

The Return for the 24 hours ended at midnight on August 19 is as follows:—Diphtheria, one case; Enteric Fever, three cases; Cerebro-Spinal Fever, one case; Dysentery, nine cases; Tuberculosis, 33 cases.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE

The Portuguese Community announces that a Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of the late Governor of Macau Dr. Artur Tamagnini de Sousa Barbosa, will be held at the Roman Catholic Cathedral, Caine Road, on Friday, 23rd inst., at 9 a.m.

F. P. de V. Soares,
Acting Consul for Portugal.
Hong Kong, 19th August 1940.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS of Frank Malcolm Lane Crawford of Craigleburn Mymms Drive Brookmans Park in the County of Hertford deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 14th day of September, 1940.

All Creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.
Dated the 19th day of August, 1940.

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BRITISH WAR ORGANISATION FUND, H.K.

THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS account of the British War Organisation Fund, Hongkong, for the month of July 1940, show a balance of \$38,295.04 to the credit of the Organisation.

RECEIPTS
On the receipts side, to a sum of \$128,023.07, being balance brought forward at July 1, 1940, donations totalling \$12,240.98 plus \$100 is added, apart from a sum of \$394 realized by Sales, including stamps and Central Hospital Supply Service Badges, making a total of \$138,658.05.

PAYMENTS
On the payments side, a remittance of \$8,000 to the British Red Cross Society and Order of St. John War Organisation absorbed \$84,614.28. Purchases of flanellette and gauze dressings cost \$4,008, packing, transport and insurance \$1,055.15 and office expenses \$485.58, making the total payments \$100,363.01.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES

The following forthcoming marriages were announced yesterday:
Mr. Wu Yiu-tak, Civil Servant of the Chinese Central Government, and Miss Lee Yin, residing at No. 76, Fuk Wing Street.

Mr. Chiu Chap-shang, clerk of the S.C.O., residing at No. 217, Jaffe Road, and Miss Lo Oi-sin, teacher, residing at No. 1, Bonham Road.

Mr. Chui Ming-fan, teacher, residing at No. 1, Chi Kuo Terrace, and Miss Yeung Chak-tin, residing at No. 12, Star Street.

Mr. Chan Po-chung, teacher, residing at No. 184, Tam Kung Road, and Miss Hsieh Cho-yu, of the same address.

IN EVER loving memory of my very dearly beloved wife, Violet Winifred Padgett, who was called to a higher life on Sunday, 21st August, 1938. I Thess. 4. 14.

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What America Thinks

FOR SOME WEEKS now we have published on this page editorial comment culled from American newspapers in order to give readers a

guide to the trend of public opinion in the United States on international developments. In almost every one of these articles it has been possible to discern a hardening of American views towards the attempts that are being made in the west and the east by the disciples of aggression against the liberties of free peoples. This attitude in America has been slowly, but surely, maturing from the time that the first act of aggression in the Far East was committed by Japan. With the outbreak of the war in Europe, the isolationist school of thought in the United States began to encounter serious opposition to its principles of non-interference in disputes and controversies outside the Western Hemisphere. This isolationist group still exists in America, but is being steadily subordinated to the growing demand by the great majority of the American people that the United States should not neglect the grave threat that aggression holds for the whole of the Americas and that action should be taken now to safeguard the Western Hemisphere from totalitarian designs.

THE NEWS from America during the past week bears out the views which writers in America have sought to place before their readers. The head of the United States administration has himself given the American public a lead on the necessity that exists for a full and vastly strengthened defence position for the Americas. His attitude has found generous support from all shades of opinion in the United States, where it is realised that a real peril to the Western Hemisphere lurks behind the totalitarian war machine which is now active in Europe. Simultaneously, the American people have become more alive also to the danger that might threaten democratic rights and interests from across the Pacific and a definite change of policy is also evident towards the aggressor of the Orient. The world's democratic front has thus become considerably strengthened. The moral effect of this new American outlook on world affairs is in itself most important, but, with the indications from the United States that the country is ready to put its views into practical form, those who are fighting for democracy have cause to be really encouraged and heartened as to the ultimate result of the struggle they are engaged in.

THE LATEST to join the swelling majority of anti-

Black-Out Notice Amendment

The Harbour Office has issued the following amendment to the Black-out notice by the above department on August 6, 1940.

The amendment relates to Paragraph 4 which should now read as follows:—

"The termination of the exercise will be 30 minutes after the sounding of the 'Raiders Passed' signal when normal lighting and navigation may be resumed within the Port Limits."

A.F.B. TO TAKE PART

The Hongkong Auxiliary Fire Brigade will participate in the black-out which falls on August 27. There will be a rehearsal on August 22.

All volunteers will have to report at the No. 2 Police Station at 3 p.m. instead of the points previously announced.

ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE

Prison Term & Caning For Chinese

Saying that he was compelled to commit the crime by circumstances and that he had a lot of people to support in Shanghai, Yiu Mei-ming, 31, unemployed, a native of Shanghai, pleaded guilty to the charge of assault with intent to rob.

Yiu was sentenced to 18 months' hard labour with 12 strokes of the cane by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

TOY PISTOL
Armed with a toy pistol, the accused attempted to rob Cheung Lai-ching at No. 2, Tung Lo Wan Road on July 22.

The amah put up a courageous struggle with Yiu, not knowing that the weapon he was holding was a toy pistol, and managed to raise the alarm which attracted a watchman who arrested defendant.

Isolationists in the United States is an official with ambassadorial rank, in the person of Mr. William Bullitt, who was U.S. Envoy in France at the time of the German invasion and who might, therefore, be credited with a better knowledge of the realities of the European situation and the danger it implies to America. His words to the American people are worth repeating: "I believe that unless we act now and decisively to meet the threat, we shall be too late." Mr. Bullitt conveyed a distinct warning when he pointed to the necessity of stopping the Nazi system from extending its tentacles across the Atlantic. More assistance to Britain and her allies is what Mr. Bullitt demanded—assistance not only in arms, munitions and planes, but even in fighting ships so as to strengthen the British Navy, which is alone holding America's Atlantic Maginot Line. Britain and her allies have had no cause to complain so far in regard to the help which the United States is giving them. Material aid has been flowing across the Atlantic in ever-increasing quantities to reinforce British resistance against the Nazi war machine. Greater assistance as advocated by Mr. Bullitt will naturally be welcomed in Britain and will bring closer the day of reckoning for Herr Hitler and his associates. It is a world cause for which Britain is now fighting and the Americans realise it better than anyone else. The resolve to stand by Britain and to throw the whole full weight of her resources into the struggle will probably come sooner from America, now that the issue has been made clear to her people.

PICTORIAL STAMPS OF EMPIRE

INTERESTING TALK TO ROTARIANS

An interesting discourse on pictorial stamps of the British Empire was given by Rotarian E. Denison at the Rotary Club weekly luncheon meeting yesterday.

There was a large gathering of members and friends present and among them were visiting Rotarians P. L. Feng, K. Y. Wu, P. K. C. Tyan of Canton, and the following guests: Messrs. B. Puckle, C. D'Almada e Castro, J. J. Gutierrez, A. E. Evans and D. Humphreys.

Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, Postmaster-General, thanked the speaker at the conclusion of his talk.

A cablegram from the President of the Manila Rotary Club, conveying on behalf of the members of Manila, their good wishes and greetings was read by Mr. E. C. Doughty, Secretary, and a reply of appreciation for the friendship by Dr. Arthur Woo, President of the Hongkong Rotary Club, was also referred to.

TIMELY SUBJECT

Mr. Denison said, in part:— I intend to speak today about the pictorial issues during the reign of His Majesty King George VI. This subject seems timely as Hongkong's first pictorial issue is now on order.

While for the past few decades, there has been an increase in the number of pictorial issues throughout the Empire, these have been in the minority. With the new reign stamps, many of the Colonies adapted pictorial stamps showing their scenic, geographical and historical aspects as well as something of their products.

Colonial stamps were formerly produced by the key and duty plates method. This necessitated two printings but was an economical method of production.

With no scenic wonder, the stamps of Gibraltar, however, show a Moorish Castle and impressive views of the Rock and harbour.

One of Malta's most interesting stamps is the Mdina Cathedral depicted at night. Also shown is a Maltese girl with Faldetta, a hoodlike dress; and the Palace square.

Cyprus stamps reflect its ancient history and could lead one into archaeological studies dating from the Mycenaean period through the period of Greek and Roman domination.

CONGRESS STAMPS

Egypt has a very interesting series of Congress and Conference stamps.

British Somaliland stamps show two native animals, the black headed sheep and the greater Kudu, otherwise known as a screw horn antelope.

India has just given us a very fine series of stamps showing methods of mail transportation which not only date back many years, but are all in use at the present time as well.

To the South is Ceylon, noted for its rubber, tea and rice as shown on its stamps.

The Straits Settlements have issued no pictorial stamps.

North Borneo would delight the naturalist with its strange pictures of cockatoos, orangutans, elephants and rhinoceroses together with the Proboscis monkey.

The British Solomon Islands picture as well the natives and also the coconut palms; bread fruit and a bird known as the Megapode.

On the Gilbert and Ellis Islands stamps we find such things as the Pandanus tree, and the Frigate bird, a type of rapacious strong winged seabird.

Australia provides the majestic touch of the current reign showing on three stamps, Their Majesties both standing and sitting in full Coronation robes.

Across the Tasman Sea, New Zealand has pictured the Maori influence and the island's well-known products of wool, butter, sheep and apples. But last year New Zealand issued one of the most attractive of the British Colonial series. In commemoration of its Centenary, the stamps cover the history of New Zealand from the time the Maoris landed in 1350; the landing of the immigrants in 1840, and includes maps, transportation progress and a modern gold dredge contracted to the placer method.

Hongkong is to issue its own long awaited pictorial set in the form of a Centenary commemorative set, scheduled to appear next January.

WHAT AMERICA THINKS

Japan and the Philippines asserting even more determinedly than ever her purpose of assuming a role of political and economic dominance in the Orient, under her own conception of a Japanese "Monroe Doctrine," American thought naturally turns to questions as to the future of the Philippine Islands.

The Philippines, as a glance at the map will show, are right in the middle of that part of the globe which Japan has picked out to bring under her own control and politico-economic management. They are much nearer to Japan than the Dutch East Indies, concerning which the Japanese have already been making some significant statements.

Japan is saying nothing at all about the Philippines at this time, but she knows that under present laws they will become completely independent within less than a decade and she is, doubtless, willing to bide her time. Under Japan's now clearly enunciated Oriental programme and purpose, can there be any doubt that as soon as all political connection between the Islands and the United States is severed, Japan will take the appropriate measures to absorb that rich territory into her empire?

One wonders what the Filipinos think about this prospect? Do they still want that complete independence which will almost inevitably be the forerunner of absorption by Japan? And how does America view that outlook? Are we willing to let that happen, or do we wish to hold on to the Islands, but realizing that even if we do we may have some unpleasantness with Japan about them later on?

(Reprinted from the Greenville (S. C.) News).

Belgian Government In London

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—There is a strong possibility that further prominent members of the Belgian Government will shortly come to England and set up a Belgian Government in this country. Reuter's diplomatic correspondent understands from foreign sources in London.

There are now in London three Belgian Ministers—M. Albert de Vleeschauwer, M. Gutt and M. Jaspar.

The first is in charge of Congo affairs, M. Otto is concerned with Belgian finance and M. Jaspar is Minister for Public Health.

CONFIDENT OF ALLIES

There is also in London a group of Belgian parliamentarians—the only members of the Belgian Parliament that have come to this country—who have already declared their confidence in an Allied victory and an assurance that Belgium is prepared to co-operate in full with the Allied effort.

CAMPAIGN FOR GARMENTS

Chinese residents in the Colony are responding to the appeal recently made by the National Association for the Warm Garments Campaign for raising funds for making winter clothing for front-line soldiers and war refugees.

Students and businessmen will join in the campaign. Preparations in this regard are being made.

The goal of the forthcoming drive is said to be \$500,000.

NEWSETTES

The Executive Committee of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce will meet on Thursday at 2.30 p.m.

Mr. Francisco Villanueva, Manila lawyer, who has been in the Colony, has returned to Manila.

Mr. R. H. Wild, manager, South British Insurance Co., Ltd., has left the Colony for Singapore.

Mr. P. Dhabber, of Karangam & Co., Canton, has left for Bombay, accompanied by Mrs. Dhabber and family.

Mr. Rewi Alley, Chief Adviser to the Chinese Industrial Cooperatives, who was in the Colony, has left for Manila.

Twin girls were born on August 14, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, to Dorothy, wife of Thomas B. Dunn.

A son was born on August 13, 1940, at Country Hospital, Shanghai, to Monica (nee Johns), wife of Mr. H. W. Nickless.

A car belonging to Mr. Tsan Kiu-yat, of No. 83, Robinson Road, caught fire outside his house about 2 a.m. yesterday. A fire extinguisher was brought into use and the flames were under control in a few minutes. It is believed the outbreak was caused by a short circuit. Damage done is estimated at \$700.

In accordance with a request of the Ministry of Education the Education Department has issued a circular order prohibiting school children below 12 years of age from taking part in military training or athletic meets as they are not yet fully developed physically.

The death occurred on August 14, at St. Marie's Hospital, Shanghai, of Adrien Desjardins, aged 55 years. The funeral ceremony took place at Lokewai Cemetery on August 16, at St. Pierre's Church, Avenue Dubail.

The death occurred on August 14, at the Shanghai General Hospital, of Mrs. Lucy Marie Rozario, aged 33 years, wife of Mr. Joachim Rozario, and mother of Mr. Louis Rozario. A Requiem Mass was held at the Church of Christ the King, 235 Rue Bourgeois, on August 17, and was followed by interment at the Pakshenjo Cemetery.

A son was born on August 14, at China Inland Mission Hospital, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. Ian Morrison. (nee Rachel Nicoll). National Bible Society of Scotland.

The engagement is announced between Mr. James Robertson, son of the late James Robertson and Mrs. Robertson of Richmond Surrey, and Rhoda Victoria, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Wheldon, of Shanghai.

The bombing of a junk by a Japanese plane was reported by the master when the craft arrived in Hongkong on Monday. Several bombs were dropped on the junk as she lay at anchor south-east of Swabue. A member of the crew, the master's son, had his hand blown off and is now at Kowloon Hospital.

The wedding took place on Aug. 10 in Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, of Mr. Kenneth Bumstead, of H. M. Consular Service in China and recently Acting Consul-General in Chungking; son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bumstead, of Rough Common, Canterbury, Kent, and Miss Diana Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Campbell of Shanghai.

The wedding took place on August 10 at H.B.M. Consulate-General, Shanghai, before Mr. L. H. Lamb, of Mr. E. F. Mulvey, of Messrs. Andersen, Meyer & Co., Ltd., and eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Mulvey of Shanghai.

and Miss Grace Gardiner, only daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gardiner of Chefoo.

The wedding took place on Aug. 10 at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, of Mr. J. A. Clare, of Messrs. Ralli Brothers, Ltd., Calcutta, and younger son of the late Mr. George Clare, and of Mrs. Margaret Clare, of Manchester, and Miss Ludmilla Nosoff, daughter of Mrs. E. S. Nosoff of Shanghai.

Actuated by his patriotism, Mr. Chen Yung-kuang, a Chinese in Rangoon, Burma, has contributed 700 pictures or CN\$3,000 representing his entire life insurance premiums to the Chinese War Orphanage, of which Madame Chiang Kai-shek is the founder and the chairman. As a mark of appreciation, Madame Chiang has personally autographed a letter to Mr. Chen.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	No. 4-97	Ma Tau Kok, between Kowloon Inland Lots Nos. 4217 & 3452, Mt. Tai Kok	ft. ft. ft. ft.	ft. ft. ft. ft.	24	\$1,000

As per sale plan.

NEW YORK FREIGHT BUREAU

The Secretaryship of the New York Freight Bureau, Hongkong, has today been transferred to Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews.

New York Freight Bureau,
Hongkong, 19th August, 1940.

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TWO-PRONGED JAPANESE DRIVE IN KWANGTUNG

Motor Caravan Attacked: Ten Trucks Destroyed

CHUNGKING, AUG. 20 (CENTRAL)—A FRESH JAPANESE attempt to drive toward Hsiatung, west of Lungchow in south Kwangsi, was recently foiled by the Chinese, according to military dispatches received here.

THE JAPANESE WERE INTERCEPTED near Hsiatung and subjected to bitter attacks. Chinese artillery inflicted staggering losses on the enemy. One Japanese artillery piece was destroyed.

Enemy Planes Operate Over Wide Areas

DAYLIGHT RAID ON WELSH TOWN

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—The Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security states that during last night enemy aircraft operated for the part singly but over widespread areas in England and South Wales and also over a few districts in Scotland.

Damage was done to houses and other property in some towns in North-East England, also in a town in South-Western England. The majority of the bombs, however, fell in rural areas causing little damage.

A number of casualties were caused, some of which were fatal.

FIVE FOR DAY
A report received of yesterday's operations confirm that another enemy aircraft was destroyed by our fighters, making a total of five for the day.

Three of our fighters were lost, but two of the pilots are safe.

A number of casualties, two of which were fatal, were caused in a daylight raid over a Welsh town this morning.

BOMBS JETTISONED
LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—Enemy planes were over a north-east town last night and are believed to have dropped bombs. Anti-aircraft guns opened fire.

Bombs were also dropped in two Midland districts. Salvoes of bombs were jettisoned in the south-east coast region by a solitary raider apparently intercepted by fighters while en route to the Midlands.

Most of the bombs apparently fell in open country and the enemy raiders in the south-east coast were chased to the sea by British fighters.

Enemy planes, flying high in the clouds over a north-west coast district, met a terrific barrage of anti-aircraft fire and when Air Force fighters went up the raiders few towards the sea without dropping any bombs.

An Air Ministry communique states that an enemy aircraft which attacked a Suffolk coastal town this morning was intercepted by fighters and shot down into the sea.

Steamers To Clear Port More Rapidly

LONDON, August 20 (Reuter)—The Ministry of Transport has asked the Emergency Committees, established at over forty ports in Britain, to review the existing machinery and has indicated that the Committees "take the widest view of their powers to secure quick turn-round of ships and rapid clearance of ports."

The Ministry suggests the setting up in each port of an executive committee to meet during emergency.

The chief executive officer should be given reasonable discretion to act on behalf of the Port Emergency Committee. In the event of a complete breakdown of communications of issuing instructions to groups of ports, it would be assumed by the divisional port controllers.

Proposals are to ensure that no bottleneck exists which would slow down the flow of imported foodstuffs, raw materials and munitions and the equally important flow of exports.

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—Two Irishmen were killed when a Great Western Railway steamer conveying Irish passengers from a South Wales port to Eire on Saturday was bombed and machine-gunned by a German bomber near the Irish coast.

FLEET AIR ARM BOMB ENEMY TRANSPORTS

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—The Admiralty announces that aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm yesterday located and attacked two enemy transports of about 3,000 tons, in Haugesund, Norway.

Two direct hits with bombs were made on one of the transports. Other aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm attacked an oil tank off Haugesund.

All our aircraft returned safely.

CHURCHILL STATEMENT

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"There seems to be every reason to believe this new kind of war is well suited to the genius and resources of the British nation and the British Empire (cheers) and that, once we get properly equipped and properly started (cheers), a war of this kind will be more favourable to us than the sombre mass slaughters of Somme and Passchendaele."

"If it is a case of whole nations fighting and suffering together that ought to suit us because we are the most united of all nations (cheers), because we entered the war upon the national will and with our eyes open, and because we have been nurtured in freedom and individual responsibility and are products, not of totalitarian uniformity, but of tolerance and variety (cheers)."

"If all these qualities are turned, as they are being turned, to the arts of war we may be able to show the enemy quite a lot of things they have not thought of yet (cheers)."

"Since the Germans drove the Jews out and lowered their technical standards, our science is definitely ahead of theirs."

Our geographical position, the command of the sea, and the friendship of the United States (cheers) enable us to draw resources from the whole world and to manufacture weapons of war of every kind, but especially the superlative kinds of a scale hitherto practiced only by Nazi Germany."

HITLER SPRAWLED
"Hitler is now sprawled over Europe. Our offensive springs are being slowly pressed on and we must resolutely and methodically prepare ourselves for the campaigns of 1941 and 1942."

"Two or three years is not a long time even in our short and precarious lives. They are nothing in the history of the nation and when we are doing the finest thing in the world, we have the honour to be the sole champions of the freedom of all Europe (cheers)."

"We must not grudge these years or weary as we toil and struggle through them."

"It does not follow our energies in the future years will be exclusively confined to defending ourselves and our possessions. Many opportunities may lie open to amphibious Powers and we must be ready to take advantage of them."

"One of the ways to bring this war to a speedy end is to convince the enemy, not by words but by deeds, and we have both the will and means not only to go on indefinitely but to strike heavy and unexpected blows."

JOURNEY'S END
"The road to victory may not be so long as we expect but we have not the right to count upon this. Be it long or short, rough or smooth, we mean to reach our journey's end (laughter)."

"It is our intention to maintain and enforce a strict blockade, not only of Germany but of Italy, France and all other countries that have fallen into the German power."

"I read in the papers that Hitler has also proclaimed a strict blockade of the British Isles. No one can complain of that. I remember the Kaiser doing it in the last war (laughter)."

"What indeed would be a matter of general complaint would be if we were to prolong the agony of all Europe by allowing food to go to nourish the Nazis and aid their war efforts. If we allow food to go into the subjugated peoples, it would certainly be pillaged off them by their Nazi conquerors."

REQUESTS REFUSED
"There have been many proposals founded on the highest

Asahi Shimbun Demands All Foreign Troops Be Withdrawn From S'hai

TOKYO, AUG. 20 (REUTERS)—THE WITHDRAWAL OF ALL OTHER FOREIGN GARRISON TROOPS FROM SHANGHAI IS DEMANDED IN AN EDITORIAL OF THE ASAHI SHIMBUN "as a step further towards the fundamental solution of the question regarding the International Settlement."

Denouncing the alleged collusion between Britain and the United States in seeking settlement of the problem after the withdrawal of British troops from Shanghai, the paper points out that all foreign Powers, including Britain, have no legal basis for stationing troops there "whereas Japan must demand the right to patrol the whole of the International Settlement of Shanghai which is under Japanese occupation."

The Asahi Shimbun states that large scale hostilities are still going on in China, which have already been recognised by Britain and France and this fact has an inseparable connexion with Japan's responsibility for maintaining peace and order in the occupied areas.

The paper, therefore, denounced the tentative plan of transferring defence sector B to the United States and sector D to Japan as "improper and unreasonable."

TOKYO, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—On the withdrawal of the British garrison troops from Shanghai, the British defence sector of the International Settlement should naturally be taken over by the Japanese armed forces which forms the army in occupation of Shanghai for patrolling, and, therefore, the Japanese Army should occupy the sector for the maintenance of peace and order, declares a resolution adopted by the Japan Bar Association, "on the basis of careful studies by the international jurists and its members," according to a Japanese report.

The resolution, it is stated, was handed to the Premier, War, Navy and Foreign Ministers by a deputation of the Association at noon today.

S.V.C. TAKE OVER

SHANGHAI, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—The British troops are withdrawing tonight from sector B of the International Settlement—the Central district, the Bund and West Hongkew (Hongkew is Japanese-controlled in the Settlement) and they will be relieved by the Shanghai Volunteer Corps who are taking over from them temporarily.

The British forces last night moved out from Sector D, which includes the Western district and the disputed extra-settlement roads district, and which the Japanese will be taking over sometime today.

motives that food should be allowed to pass the blockade for the relief of these populations. I regret we must refuse these requests (cheers). The Nazis declared that they have created a new, unified economy in Europe. They have repeatedly stated that they possess ample reserves of food and they can feed their captive peoples."

In a German broadcast of June 27, it said that while Mr. Hoover's plan for relieving France, Belgium and Holland deserved commendation, the German people had already taken the necessary steps. We know that in Norway, when the German troops went, there were food supplies to last for a year. We know Poland, though not a rich country, usually produces sufficient food for her people."

"Moreover, other countries which Hitler invaded, all held considerable stocks when the Germans entered and are themselves very substantial food producers."

"If all this food is not available now, it can only be because it has been removed to feed the people in Germany and to give them an increased ration for a change (laughter) during the last few months."

"At this season of the year and for some months to come, there is the least chance of scarcity as the harvest has just been gathered in."

"The only agencies which create famine in any part of Europe during the coming winter will be the German exactions or the German failure to distribute the supplies they command."

American Participation In European War Seen By Japan Press

TOKYO, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—The definite participation of the United States in the European war in the not too distant future was predicted by the YOMIURI SHIMBUN in an article today.

Pointing out that unrest would mount up in the Pacific as the result of America's entry in the European war, the paper wonders whether the Japanese Government will stick to its non-involvement policy as complacently as ever.

The HOCHI SHIMBUN, regards the Permanent Board on Joint Defence system, recently announced by the United States and Canada, as an "anschluss" between America and Canada which is going beyond the purview of the offensive and defensive alliance.

The paper urges the Government and people to give a clear-cut reply to "America's audacious move," instead of verbally criticising, by constructing with grim determination a great East Asiatic sphere of common prosperity.

Japanese And South Sea Policy

AGREEMENT SAID REACHED

TOKYO, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—An agreement on views regarding the Government policy towards the South Sea region was reached between the Foreign Minister, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, the Minister of War, Lieut-General Hideki Tojo, the Minister of Navy, Vice-Admiral Zengo Yoshida, the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Ichizo Kobayashi, and General Kiso, former Minister of Overseas Affairs, during a two-and-a-half-hour conference held yesterday afternoon.

The result of the conference was reported to the Premier, Prince Kono, by the Foreign Minister late last night.

The Premier is expected to confer with General Kiso in a couple of days. If an agreement is reached between them, it will be announced by the Government.

Australian Petition Abandoned

CANBERRA, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—The Federal Government had considered petitioning to Britain to secure power to extend the life of the present Parliament which expires on November 28, but the project was abandoned following disagreement at recent meetings of the United Australia, Labour and United Country Parties.

FEDERAL ELECTIONS

CANBERRA, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—It is announced that Federal elections will be held on September 21.

AFTER 38 YEARS IN CHINA

SHANGHAI, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—After 38 years service in China, Mr. Julian Arnold, Commercial Attaché to the United States Embassy, is resigning shortly and will return to America.

It is expected that Mr. A. H. Bland, Assistant Commercial Attaché, will succeed him.

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TURKS HAVE NO MORE FEARS

ANKARA, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—The dramatic successes of the Royal Air Force have captured the imagination of Turks of all classes and the first topic of conversation every morning is how many German planes the British have destroyed to date.

One leading Turkish editor declared, in conversation with Reuter, that "after the past week we now have no further fears as regard the ultimate safety of Britain."

Newspapers are emphasising that the reasons for the present intensive drive in the Balkans by the Axis Powers is that they wish to profit from the prestige gained by the defeat of France, before it becomes apparent they are a long way from defeating Britain.

FAR FROM ACCOMPLISHED

The official newspaper, Ulus, says that the Axis Powers are seeking to make the small countries bow to accomplished facts, whereas the so-called accomplished facts are actually far from being accomplished.

"Germany cannot reckon that because she defeated Poland, Belgium, Holland and France she has won the war. Britain stands upright and powerful and Germany's air attacks have merely proved the perfection of the British defensive system."

HOME RACING

TO RESUME

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—The Jockey Club announced that following consultations with the Government, racing will be resumed on Sept. 14.

BALKAN PARLEY

ROME, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—According to the official Stefani News Agency, a communique issued after the meeting of the Hungarian and Rumanian delegations at Turin, Severin last night, states that after explaining their respective viewpoints the heads of the delegations agreed to report to their respective Governments and are leaving their delegations at Turin Severin.

The date of the next meeting will be fixed later.

ENEMY PLANES NEAR MALTA

CAIRO, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—A communique states that yesterday three enemy aircraft approached to within 35 miles of Malta, but made off when our fighters went up.

Later, another small force was reported but they also turned away when our fighters took off. R. A. F. aircraft successfully covered the Somaliland evacuation. A bomber attacked a petrol dump at Balle in Abyssinia and all bombs were dropped in the target area.

MORE LIABILITY THAN ASSET

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—The importance of the Italian occupation of British Somaliland, in relation to large objectives in the Eastern Mediterranean, is stressed by Hanson Baldwin writing in the New York Times.

The writer adds, however, that strategically the conquest scarcely justifies the glowing terms in which Rome describes it.

In the economic sense, Somaliland would appear to be more a liability than an asset to Italy.

DISASTROUS SETBACK

LONDON, Aug. 20 (CWS)—General regret at the evacuation of British Somaliland is summed up in the Times' comment that "it represents a disastrous setback" which is hampered here by the feeling that, stated officially last night, the French secession had rendered such a course inevitable.

Commenting on the loss of prestige likely to result, The Times states:

"Prestige is highly an important factor in war and it would be as futile to minimise it as to deny the disappointment which will be felt over the abandonment for a time of British Somaliland. Yet it is bad policy to fight for prestige alone, when the principle of the economy of force suggests the cutting of losses and concentration of strength elsewhere."

"From a strategic point of view the Italians have gained comparatively little by their capture. The final fate of British Somaliland will be determined not upon its own barren soil, but in the theatres of war in which the main struggle is fought out."

BERBERA ENTERED

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—An Italian communique states that the Italian troops have occupied Berbera at 7 p.m. yesterday and before the British left they set fire to a part of the city.

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LIFE IN SIKONG PROVINCE

"Many people have the wrong impression that Sikong is extremely cold and desolate. In reality, Sikong is no colder than Peking. When the summer comes, the whole country, valley, mountain and upland, heath and moor, forest and grove and glen, park and ravine, is clothed in green. And there are flowers everywhere. "Sikong is a gardener's paradise with wild peonies, carnations, poppies, several kinds of buttercups, blue and yellow violets and a wonderful array of floral beauties. There are different kinds of flowers at different levels of altitude, but everywhere an abundance of them. Meadows are generally so covered with flowers that they resemble exquisitely patterned quilts. There are also strawberries and gooseberries grown everywhere."

This picture of Sikong, China's far-flung western province, was drawn by Mr. Paul R. Sung, secretary of the Hankow Y.M.C.A. who with two others has returned from a tour to that province. They were sent by the National Committee of the Y.M.C.A. in China to study the social and economic life of the baby province and to determine the feasibility of Y.M.C.A. work in those semi-Chinese semi-Tibetan communities.

LIVE IN OPEN AIR

"Sikong tribes," Mr. Sung said, "live in the open air. They are not townspeople and are used to living in small hamlets and camps. The land is wide and the people are few, and there is room to spare. The life of the farmer is more comfortable than that of the tent-dwellers; for he lives in a house and in the warm valleys. On the other hand, the tent dwellers pitch their tents and graze their cattle on the side slopes of mountains."

"The nomad camps consist of one, two or three tents. Some have a score or more. The larger camps may have thousands of cattle, while the smaller ones only a few hundred. The animals are oxen, cows, sheep and horses. The yak, the Tibetan ox, is a strong and heavy animal, with high withers, broad back, big horns, thick fur and a bushy tail. Their great strength and endurance make them valuable for transport and farm work."

"The staple food of the Sikong people is the Tibetan 'tsamba' made from 'ney,' a kind of barley, which is the chief cereal grown on all farms. The chief drink is tea, imported from Szechwan. They serve well-boiled tea with plenty of butter or milk."

According to Mr. Sung, Sikong is no longer the land of the hermit, though the lamas still enjoy a high social position. The Sikong people are witnessing the coming of a new era of culture transference from China Proper. Educational, technical and mechanical experts are pouring into the new province to help develop communications, mining, animal husbandry, forestry, medicine and education. (Central News).

DESTITUTES IN COLONY

The number of refugees and destitutes accommodated in Government camps, etc. in the urban and rural areas up to August 17 is as follows:—

URBAN AREAS

CIVILIANS.—King's Park, 1,252; Ma Tau Chung, 1,376; North Point, 1,395; Morrison Hill, 543.

SOLDIERS.—In Hospital, six; Argyle Street, 720.

SQUATTERS.—Tai Hang Camp, 2,477; Ngau Tau Kok Camp, 716.

RURAL AREAS

Kam Tin Camp: 2,554.

PASSENGERS

The following passengers arrived in the Colony recently:—Messrs.

Mr. Rewi Alley, Brother Alfons Bender, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Dhabher, Miss V. Dhabher, Miss P. H. Dhabher, Mr. B. Dhabher, Mr. H. J. Everall, Miss Ruth G. Grant, Mrs. M. C. Knowles, Mr. H. W. C. McDonald, Miss Marjorie Osborn, Lt. D. C. Turnipseed, Mr. Francisco Villanueva, Mr. R. H. Wild.

ARRIVALS

The following passengers arrived in the Colony recently:—Messrs. S. Maund, L. Blair, Ramon Perreira, G. M. Naylor, A. Raymond, Mrs. A. Raymond, Lee Wee Soon, Wong Cheung-Hoh, Wong Cheung Chih, Chow Weng Kee, Teoh Tiao Bde, Cheong Hal, Wong Yung Yung, Fow, Foo Yeow Khoo, Tam Kong, Ede, Chia Kee Shan, Chin Hon Ngn, Ong Guan Bee, Ko Kim Cheng and Lim Bak Tjoe.

JAPANESE SURE OF SECURING INDO-CHINA WITHOUT FIGHT: JOURNALISTS' VIEW

Returning to Manila after an extensive tour of French Indo-China, I can reveal that the Japanese mission to that war-orphaned colony is confident of obtaining economic as well as nominal military dominance without military force, writes Richard C. Wilson, United Press Staff Correspondent in the Manila Bulletin.

Although Japan's restive Canton army has given indications of being desirous of invading Indo-China in order that it might penetrate southern China in a drive on Chungking, members of the mission at Hanoi indicated Tokyo was more interested in immediate access to Indo-China's rich output of tin, coal, rice, wolfram and tung oil than in a new military adventure.

The probable attitude of Washington toward an armed invasion of Indo-China has not been made clear to either Japanese or French.

JAPAN'S "INSPECTORS"

When Indo-China six weeks ago "invited" Japan to send inspectors to verify the French closure of the Halphong-Kunming railway to shipment of supplies to China, Tokyo sent a mission which continues to grow. It now exceeds 100 members—not counting the squadron of Japanese destroyers anchored just outside Halphong harbour.

After closing the railway in response to Japanese demands, the French next permitted Japanese planes use of Hanoi's excellent airport. Air Nippon immediately made Hanoi a regular stop on its scheduled passenger service between Bangkok, Canton, Taihoku and Tokyo. Japanese military planes arrive and depart daily from Canton, transporting Japanese military men.

JAPANESE PRESSURE

Also apparently acting under Japanese pressure, Indo-China refused to permit the re-export of thousands of gallons of American gasoline destined for Chungking but which was stored at Halphong when the railway was closed to all shipments to China.

The increasing variety of Japanese requests stirred the French and caused Governor General Admiral Jean Decoux to adopt a stiffer attitude. He began referring all requests to the Vichy government at Vichy.

Halphong was a bustling port two months ago, filled with American salesmen of trucks, tires gasoline, etc. As many as a dozen freighters were unloading supplies for China at a single time, while the docks were overflowing with supplies the French-owned railway would carry to China. Today, however, Halphong is deserted except for an estimated \$8,000,000 in trucks, gasoline, etc., which lie rusting on the idle docks.

MISSION'S SURVEY

Meanwhile members of the Japanese mission surveyed northern Indo-China, touring highways and visiting the five frontier ports bordering China. Economic experts with the mission studied prospects for immediate development of a substantial import and export trade between Japan and the French colony.

From various official sources, the United Press ascertained that Japanese requests include permission to transport Japanese troops and supplies over the Halphong-Kunming railway; authority to erect a radio transmitting station at Hanoi to enable the mission to keep in direct contact with Tokyo and Canton; expulsion of Chinese residents in Indo-China less than 10 years; substantial reduction of tariffs on manufactured goods, and equalization of taxes on foreign merchants with those charged French or Annamese merchants to enable Japanese merchants to enter business in Indo-China.

AIR POWER

As in the European war, air power appears to give Japan a strong hand in her southward expansion campaign.

Indo-China has less than a score of military planes and about 100 pilots, 40 of whom have had military flying experience. In contrast, Japan has a small airforce on nearby Hainan as well as an estimated 200 military planes on various bases in the vicinity of Canton. Canton is two hours by air from Hanoi.

Indo-China lacks modern anti-aircraft defenses. Likewise, the strategic harbour of Halphong is defended by only two coastal fortifications. The French are hopeful of buying 200 military planes from the United States for immediate delivery, although such a purchase would be dependent upon Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau releasing French credits "frozen" after France's capitulation.

CAULIFLOWER AND CABBAGE WORM CONTROL

The insect known as the imported cabbage worm is a velvety green caterpillar commonly found feeding on cabbages and cauliflowers.

It eats large circular holes in the leaves and frequently bores into the centre of cabbage heads. Control measures should be applied as soon as injury to the plants becomes evident.

Dusting with arsenate of lead and hydrated lime is the most widely recommended remedy, says Alan G. Dugan, Division of Entomology, Science Service, Dominion Department of Agriculture. One part of the poison should be mixed with eight parts of hydrated lime and dusted on the plants in the early morning or late in the evening when the leaves are wet with dew.

CENTRAL PORTION

Particular care should be paid to the central portion of the cabbages and cauliflowers because feeding is usually most prevalent there. Two or three applications should be made as required, care being taken to apply the dust immediately feeding becomes evident. Owing to the waxy condition of the leaves, spraying has not given satisfactory results.

If the plants have to be treated shortly before being marketed, dust with fresh pyrethrum powder, one part to three parts of hydrated lime, or flour.

Pyrethrum is non-poisonous to human beings. It can be bought at local seed houses, drug stores or wholesale drug companies. Fortunately, the remedies recommended for cabbage worms also control the cabbage looper and diamond-back moth, which are destructive to cabbages and cauliflowers.

P.I. President's No-Party Plan Finds Very Little Support

PRESIDENT QUEZON'S proposal of a party-less government is not finding very enthusiastic support in assembly and political circles, according to reports, writes Cipriano Cid in the Manila Bulletin.

Assemblymen who have been keeping their views to themselves lest they may offend the chief executive are understood to have expressed serious doubt as to the practicability of a government without political parties. Some are reported to have taken the position that, granting the plan is practicable, they do not believe it is desirable.

SAME VIEW

This same view was noted in independent circles. A veteran of the revolution said that a party-less system of government was advocated years ago by General Emilio Aguinaldo, but the head of the short-lived Philippine republic was understood to have limited the plan to the time when independence was being achieved, after which the government was to function normally as any other democracy, with political parties.

Assemblyman Conrado Singson of Cagayan yesterday said that he wanted to voice his doubt regarding the probability of the party-less government plan in a speech in the assembly during the special session but since the half-hour privilege for members was not allowed during the session he could not do so.

WILL NOT WORK

"With due respect to the President," he said, "I am afraid a system of government without parties would not work the way the President believes it would. Instead of union there will be disunion because in place of two major political parties there will be numerous factions."

"There is the further possibility that political factions will be based on regional or tribal considerations, for example, the Ilocanos may band together as a political unit against all other units."

"Viewing the matter from the practical standpoint of legislation, work in the assembly would be much more difficult and expensive. There will be blocs in the assembly and there would be no organization to impose party discipline because such would not exist. There will be more bickering and undesirable compromises on legislation among the various legislative groups that exist now."

PRESIDENT'S LOGIC

Following the logic of the President's proposition, that in a democracy there need be no parties because the citizenry should be sufficiently enlightened and patriotic to act and think only in terms of national welfare with utter disregard of political considerations, the proposition could be extended further. Let us apply the same theory to religion because religion to a man is about as essential if not more essential than politics or government. Let us abolish religious denominations and institute only the religion of God.

"Personally, I believe as long as man is the human being that he is, it will not be possible to entirely do away with political parties or with religious sects."

Some assemblymen asked to comment on the subject said, "Go away. We have no opinion. What is good for the President is good for us."



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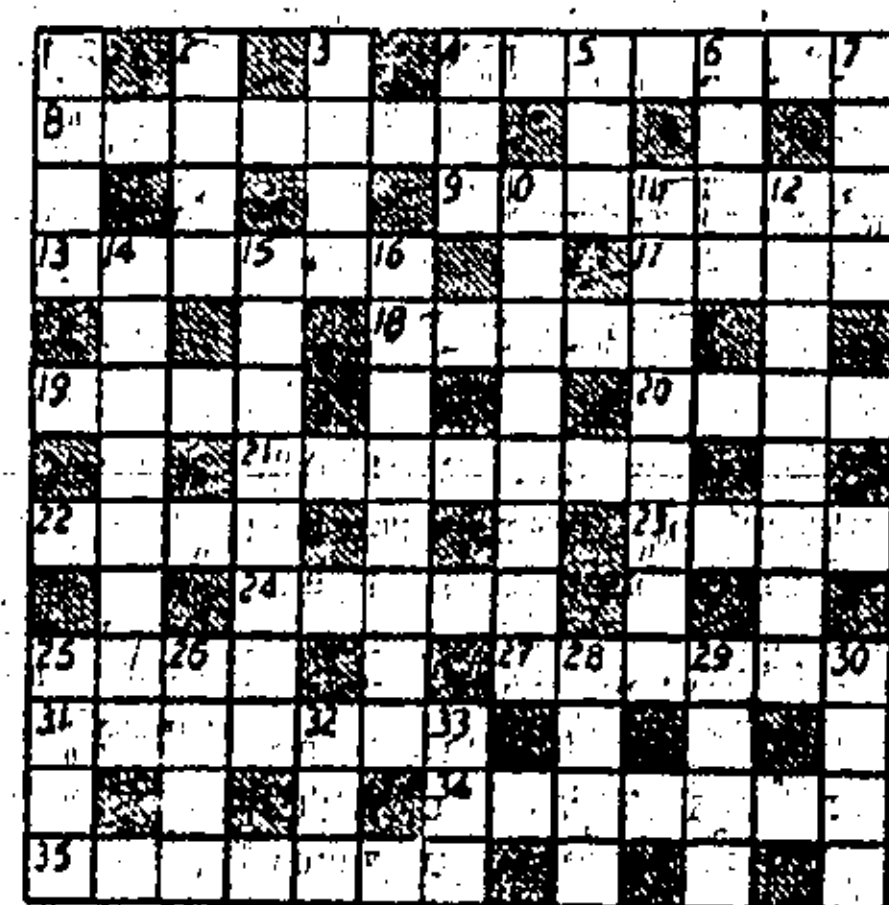


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 - 10 Similarity
 - 11 Freed
 - 12 An ornament
 - 14 Opening
 - 15 Gave up
 - 16 Guardian
 - 25 Battle
 - 26 Merrit
 - 28 Unrightly
 - 29 Animals
 - 30 Bare
 - 32 Anger
 - 33 Vapour

SOLUTION TOMORROW

ENLISTMENT IN R.C. NAVY

Masters of inland ferries, tug-boats, and river steamers who enter as able seamen and be rated as leading seamen the following day.

If they show keenness and ability, they will be eligible for early advancement to Petty Officer, and if they are masters of a licensed ferry steamship, home trade, or a master of a tug, home trade, they will be in line for promotion to Chief Petty Officer.

Finance and Commerce

U.S. RUBBER RESERVE

STOCKS FURTHER AUGMENTED

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—United States reserve of rubber stocks for National defence purposes are to be raised by 180,000 tons to over 400,000 tons.

The Rubber Reserve Company (which was set up for the purpose of establishing such reserves) announced that it has agreed to purchase 180,000 tons during 1941 at a price ranging from 17 cents to 18 and a half cents per pound F.O.B.

This is additional to the 150,000 tons already agreed upon to which must be added 65,000 tons of barter rubber.

HONGKONG

SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Tuesday, Aug. 20, 1940.

H.K. Electric (N)	100	\$35.75
H.K. Tramways	200	15.30
Humphreys	250	8.75
Union Ins.	10	367.50
H.K. Lands	100	30.50
Yau-mai Ferries	198	21.75

958

The total value is \$22,404.00.

CANADIAN TOBACCO ACREAGE REDUCED

According to the first report on the 1940 commercial crop of leaf tobacco in Canada, a considerable reduction in acreage is indicated as compared with the acreage of 91,035 acres planted in 1939.

Reductions are general for all types of tobacco grown in Ontario, the greatest change being in the flue-cured crop, the area of which has been reduced by approximately one-third from the area of 62,550 acres in 1939.

Decreases are also indicated for the cigarette and cigar leaf types in Quebec.

Following the recommendation of the Burley Marketing Association of Ontario that a 12½ per cent. reduction in acreage be put into effect in 1940, it is anticipated that the acreage planted to burley tobacco will be approximately 9,600 acres.

The acreage of dark tobacco under contract in Ontario will show a reduction of at least 35 per cent. There will probably be a decrease of five to ten per cent. in the area planted to cigar leaf types in Quebec.

Not much change is indicated in the acreage planted to the pipe varieties, production of which is also limited to the Province of Quebec.

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

Trading today was on a more generous scale and embraced a better spread.

BUYERS

Union Ins.	\$385.
H.K. Fire Ins.	\$136.
Docks (O)	\$15.25.
Providents	\$3.80.
Hotels	\$3.45.
Trams	\$15.10.
Yau-mai Ferries	\$21.25.
China Lights (O)	\$6.40.
China Lights (N)	\$3.25.
Telephones (O)	\$21.75.
Cements	\$14.80.
Dairy Farms	\$17.50.
Watsons	\$8.30.

SELLERS

Lands	\$31.
Cements	\$15.50.

SALES

Union Ins.	\$367.50.
Hotels	\$3.50.
Lands	\$31/30.50.
Humphreys	\$8.75.
Trams	\$15.30.
China Lights (O)	\$6.50.
Electric (O)	\$37.
Electric (N)	\$35.75.
Cements	\$15/15.10.

RAUB AUSTRALIAN GOLD-MINING CO.

Raub Australian Gold Mining Co. reports as follows:

REPORT NO. 562

Fine Ounces 1455.
Profit \$22,000.

Statement for quarter ended June 22, 1940 (consisting of three four-weekly periods).

Battery

Tonnage of Ore raised, 21,421 tons.

No. of Ounces of Bullion produced, 3,243 ounces.

No. of Ounces of Fine Gold recovered, 3,090 ounces.

Retreatment Plant

No. of Tons treated, 32,614 tons.

No. of Ounces of Bullion produced, 1,771 ounces.

No. of Ounces of Fine Gold recovered, 1,461 ounces.

Value of Gold from all sources, \$37,402 Sterling.

Working Cost, \$27,910 Sterling.

Capital Expenditure, \$230 Sterling.

Mine Profit for Quarter (subject to Depreciation), \$9,492 Sterling.

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HARD CONDITIONS IN HARBIN: LACK OF BREAD: TYPHOID

DIFFICULTIES EXPERIENCED BY HARBIN were related to the North China Daily News by a Shanghai resident, who recently returned from a holiday trip to the Manchurian metropolis.

This person, who was born in Harbin and lived there for many years before his arrival in Shanghai, said that Harbin had changed tremendously in the past few years and none of the glitter and carefree abandon, so often associated with the city in the past, remained.

The present war in China and the events in Europe have left the city without flour and great difficulties are experienced in obtaining bread.

Bread lines are, so avers this person, far longer than the rice lines seen in Shanghai during its worst crisis. At times, he had to wait over three hours to buy a loaf of bread, which at its best, is yellow since corn flour is used by the bakeries.

There is also lack of sugar in town and, on several occasions, he had to go to the Chinese part of the town to get a pound of it.

TYPHOID EPIDEMIC
Harbin at present is passing through a critical stage for an epidemic of typhoid fever has broken out in the city. All the hospitals are full and very few people have managed to best the disease. The majority of those affected are young men and women. In one day, on July 8, "no less than 100 persons, of all nationalities, succumbed to the dreadful disease."

To combat against this calamity, the city authorities have issued orders that no vegetables or fruit, unless disinfected in carbolic acid, are to be sold at the markets or shops. The authorities, however, are lax in preventing the spread of the disease and the population of the city has not been inoculated yet.

Very few amusement places remain in town now, while American and British films have not been shown in the theatres for several years now. Only two theatres show foreign films, but these are the old ones from France and Germany.

When returning to Shanghai, this man stayed a few days in Tsingtao and his observations there should also be of some interest to Shanghaiers who intend to spend their summer holiday there.

HIGH PRICES RAMPANT
Profiteering, such as was never noted in the north China resort in the past, has gripped the city and rooms are rented out at exorbitant prices. One of the boarding houses, catering especially to the American Navy men, rents out its rooms at U.S. \$40-U.S. \$60 per month—and that, without board. Some better known boarding houses demand as much as U.S. \$250 per day.

This year there have been fewer foreigners holidaying in Tsingtao, while the number of Russians has decreased by half, since rooms in previously rented out at \$40 per month, are now offered at \$200. Most of the villas, previously used as boarding houses, had

either rented or bought by Japanese, he said. The large influx of Japanese to the north China resort and their willingness to pay high prices for the villas, forced a crisis of accommodation in the city. Profiteers have taken advantage of this and charge high prices.

DRINKS EXPENSIVE
The presence of the U.S. Asiatic Fleet in Tsingtao presented another opportunity to cabarets to raise their prices and a whisky and soda is sold at \$4. No foreign-made beer can be obtained in the cabarets or stores, since Japanese companies have monopolised the market.

BRITISH SUPPLY BOARD
The Canadian Department of Munitions and Supply will take over the work previously done by the British Supply Board and will place orders direct for the British Government, according to an announcement by Hon. C.D. Howe, Minister of the Department.

The arrangement will expedite the placing of orders for British requirements and generally speed up the production of munitions of war in the Dominion.

The work of the British Supply Board in Canada has been concerned mostly with the production of shells, explosives and ships, and since the outbreak of the war orders in the amount of approximately \$75,000,000 have been placed and commitments up to approximately another \$50,000,000 have been undertaken.

It has also exercised a large measure of control over the purchasing activities of the British Purchasing Commission in the United States.

Production of Canadian leather footwear factories in the first quarter of the current year totalled 6,595,848 pairs, compared with 5,586,003 pairs in the corresponding period of 1939. Footwear made in sizes for women is of first importance, its palgrave representing 48 per cent of total production. Second in order of quantity is footwear for men, with a proportion of 31 per cent.

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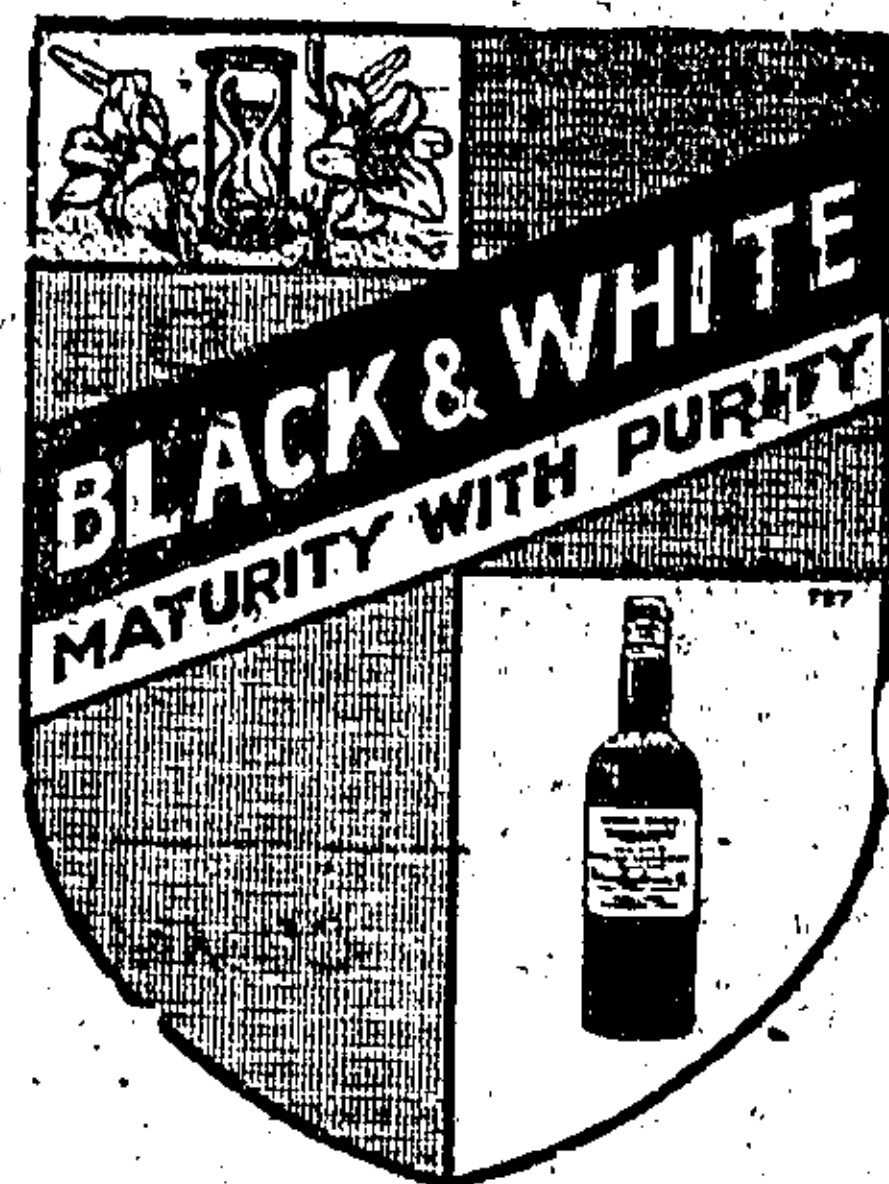
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YOUR FIRST SIP TELLS YOU
IT'S THE SCOTCH.

Satisfactory Response To Call For Nurses

Satisfactory response to the recent call for European nurses to help in the formation of an Emergency Nursing Service Unit for service in Malayan military hospitals during the war, has been made by European women all over Malaya.

The response has been so good that it is now considered only a matter of time before the unit is formed.

The matter now lies in the hands of the War Office in London, from whom further instructions, as to its formation, are expected shortly.

More than twenty applications have already been received and this number, the authorities consider, is "satisfactory."

Most of the applications come from Singapore, but several are from Johore and other up-country towns.

Main reason for the formation of the unit is to avoid the necessity of bringing into the Colony qualified nurses and sisters from the United Kingdom.

As nurses are urgently needed in Britain, it is considered that women, qualified in nursing, who have taken up residence in Malaya, should be utilised here, says the Malaya Tribune.

This unit will thus offer

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

BANKS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS
AUGUST 20, 1940.

On London:	Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/8
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credits 4 months sight 1/3 1/8	
On Shanghai:	On demand 390
On Singapore:	On demand 52 3/4
On Japan:	On demand 83 1/2
On India:	Telegraphic Transfer 82 1/2
and demand 82 1/2	
On New York:	Bank Bills, on demand 22
Credits, 60 days sight 33 1/8	
On Batavia:	On demand 41 1/8
On Paris:	Bank Bills, on demand 108 5/8
Credits 4 months sight 116 1/8	
On Saigon:	On demand 90 3/4
On Manila:	On demand 44
On Bangkok:	On demand 149 1/2
On Sterling Notes:	Bank Buying Rate 1/5
Bar Silver per oz.	23 7/16

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.
Silver prices dropped 1/16 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations being 23 7/16 for Ready and 22 7/8 for Forward. Silver advances reported the market as being quiet and featureless. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.
The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 401 1/2.

MARKET
Quiet.
STERLING
There were sellers at 1/23 1/32 up to November, buyers at 1/3 for any delivery.
U.S. DOLLARS
Business was done during the course of the morning at 22 3/8 for Cash. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 22 3/8 for near and forward, buyers at 22 7/16 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS
A small business was done at 402 3/4 for Cash.
SHANGHAI MARKET
Quiet. Sellers of Sterling at 3 45/64 for Spot. U. S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5 1/2 and then steadied up to 5 9/16. The market closed at lunch time with sellers at 5 17/32 for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET
The market was dull in the afternoon.
STERLING
The market closed with sellers at 1/23 1/32 up to November, buyers at 1/3 for any delivery.

U.S. DOLLARS
The market closed with sellers at 22 3/8 for near, buyers at 22 7/16 for Cash.
SHANGHAI DOLLARS
Closed with sellers at 402 1/2 for Spot.

SHANGHAI MARKET
Closed with sellers of Sterling at 3 45/64 for Spot. U. S. Dollars closed with sellers at 5 17/32 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange.
Shanghai, Aug. 20 (Reuters).
Official T.T. Rates:
London 0/3-5/8
New York 5-8/8
Japan 22-3/4
Paris 20N
Hongkong 24

Sellers
Opening Closing
Spot 0/3-45/64 0/3-45/64
Aug. 0/3-45/64 0/3-45/64
Sept. 0/3-11/16 0/3-11/16
U.S. Dollars
Spot \$5-17/32 \$5-17/32
Aug. 5-17/32 5-17/32
Sept. 5-1/2 5-1/2
Market: Quiet.

India Rupee Paper
Bombay, Aug. 19 (Reuters).
Govt. 34% Rupee, 89-08-0.
Calcutta Exchange
Calcutta, Aug. 19 (Reuters).
T.T. on Japan, 81-7/8.

PAYNE & CO.

COMMODITY BROKERS
STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING
HONGKONG

COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW
(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

NEW YORK, August 19, 1940.				
	Previous	August 19		
	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
SINGAPORE RUBBER				
SPOT	37-5/8	37-5/8	37-3/4	up 1/8
OCT./DEC.	36-1/8	36-1/8	36-3/8	up 1/4
JAN./MAR.	33-3/4	33-3/4	34 cts.	up 1/4

The market was steady but dull.

LONDON RUBBER				
	Previous	close	Today's	Change
	buyers	buyers	buyers	
SPOT	13	13	unch.	
SEPTEMBER	13	13	unch.	
OCT.-DEC.	13	13	unch.	
JAN./MARCH	12-3/8	12-3/8	unch.	
APRIL-JUNE	12	12	unch.	

The market was featureless.

NEW YORK COTTON: Scattered selling is meeting with a good demand. The tone is steady.

NEW YORK RUBBER: The market today was featured by dealers exchanging futures for actuals.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Large receipts and poor exports were depressing. Outside interest was lacking.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 121.98; Today's close, 122.06; Change, up .08.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET
(REUTERS SERVICE)

	High	Low	Prev.	Today's	Change
New York Cotton, Oct.	9.24	9.16	9.19	9.22 1/2	.03 up
New York Rubber, Sept.	19.56	19.55	19.54b	19.52b	.02 off
Chicago Wheat, Sept.	69 1/2	68	68 1/2	68 1/2	1/2 off
Chicago Corn, Sept.	60 1/2	59 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2	unch.
New York Hides, Sept.	7.55	7.67	8.05	7.70	.35 off

NEW YORK COTTON				
	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
Oct. (New contract)	9.19/20	9.16/18	9.22n	.03 up
December	9.15/15	9.13/13	9.19/19	.04 up
January	9.05 N	9.07a	9.10n	.05 up
March	9.03/04	9.02b/03a	9.08/08	.05 up
May	8.85/85	8.85/85	8.90/90	.05 up
July	8.65/65	8.65/65	8.65/67	.01 up
Spot	9.71 N	—	9.74n	.03 up

Total sales Saturday—36,300 bales.

NEW YORK RUBBER				
September	19.54b/55a	19.55b/60a	19.52b	.02 off
December	19.20/20	19.22/22	19.15/15	.05 off
January	19.15 N	unquoted	19.05n	.10 off
March	19.03 N	18.85b/19.05a	18.85n	.18 off
May	18.88 N	—	18.88n	.18 off
July	unquoted	—	unquoted	

Total sales—390 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT				
September	69 1/2/69 1/2	69 1/2/69 1/2	68 1/2/68 1/2	1/2 off
December	71 1/2/71 1/2	71 1/2/71 1/2	70 1/2/70 1/2	1/2 off
May	71 1/2/71 1/2	—	71 1/2/71 1/2	1/2 off

Saturday's sales—13,537,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN				
September	60 1/2/60 1/2	60 1/2/60 1/2	60 1/2/60 1/2	unch.
December	54 1/2/54 1/2	54 1/2/54 1/2	54 1/2/54 1/2	1/2 off

WINNIPEG WHEAT				
October	73 1/2a	73 1/2a	73 1/2a	unch.
December	74 1/2a	—	74 1/2a	unch.

NEW YORK HIDES				
September	8.05/05	7.90/90	7.70/74	.35 off
December	8.22/23	8.13/13	7.88/90	.34 off

Total sales for the day—259 contracts.

NEW YORK OFFICIAL				
New York Official	unquoted	34-3/4		
NY-London Cross Rate	4.00	4.01 1/2		

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, August 20 (Reuters).—In the Stock Exchange, goldmining and copper shares received investment support on view and yielded the most attractive present prices.

Other sections were mainly steady with preponderance small gains among industrials. Gilt-edged securities were mostly unchanged. Wall Street was irregular.

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

LONDON, Aug. 19 (Reuters).
Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, £262-1/4.
Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle Price, £262-5/8.

SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER
LONDON, Aug. 19 (Reuters).
Silver: Market featureless and quiet. In the afternoon, the market was quietly steady.

Spot, 23-7/16d.
Forward, 22-7/8d.

LONDON GOLD

LONDON, Aug. 19 (Reuters).
Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 158/-

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION
(REUTERS SERVICE)
AUGUST 20, 1940.

STOCKS		Last Sale	STOCKS		Last Sale
		Aug. 19.			Aug. 19.
Adams Express	5	23 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	23 1/2	23 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	20	23 1/2	Loew's Inc.	23 1/2	23 1/2
Allis Chalmers	20 1/2	19 1/2	Loft Incorporated	19 1/2	19 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	70 1/2	70 1/2	Mack Truck Inc.	20 1/2	20 1/2
Amer. Can.	93 1/2	93 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	28 1/2	28 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	32 1/2	32 1/2	McKesson & Robbins, pld.	20 1/2	20 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	14 1/2	14 1/2	Montgomery Ward	39 1/2	39 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	12 1/2	12 1/2	Mt. Air City Copper Co.	21 1/2	21 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	13 1/2	13 1/2	National Aviation	9 1/2	9 1/2
Amer. Radiator	6	6	Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2	13 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	10 1/2	10 1/2	National Distillers	20 1/2	20 1/2
Amer. Siding & Ring Co.	34	34	National Lead	16 1/2	16 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	12 1/2	12 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	7 1/2	7 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	158 1/2	158 1/2	National Supply Corp.	5 1/2	5 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	73 1/2	73 1/2	New York Central	11 1/2	11 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	8	8	Niagara Hudson Power	4 1/2	4 1/2
Ahaconda Copper	19 1/2	19 1/2	N. American Aviation	15 1/2	15 1/2
Atchafalaya, T. & S. Fe.	14 1/2	14 1/2	North American Co.	18 1/2	18 1/2
Aviation Corp.	4	4	Northern Pacific	6 1/2	6 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	13 1/2	13 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	47 1/2	47 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	5 1/2	5 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	28 1/2	28 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	9 1/2	9 1/2	Packard Motors	3 1/2	3 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	8	8	Pan-American Airways	12 1/2	12 1/2
Bendix Aviation	28	28	Paramount Pictures	59 1/2	59 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	74 1/2	74 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	19 1/2	19 1/2
Bliss & Co.	14 1/2	14 1/2	Philadelphia Read. Coal	4 1/2	4 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	13 1/2	13 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	32	32
Borg-Warner	15 1/2	15 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	35	35
Briggs Mfg.	18 1/2	18 1/2	Pullman Inc.	18 1/2	18 1/2
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	31	31	Pure Oil	7 1/2	7 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way	28 1/2	28 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	42 1/2	42 1/2
Case, J.I.	48	48	Reading Company, Com	12 1/2	12 1/2
Celanese	27	27	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	48 1/2	48 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	36 1/2	36 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	4 1/2	4 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	69 1/2	69 1/2	Republic Steel	16 1/2	16 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	50 1/2	50 1/2	Revere Corp.	8 1/2	8 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	30 1/2	30 1/2	Reynold Tobacco "B"	33 1/2	33 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	1 1/2	1 1/2	Safeway Stores	41 1/2	41 1/2
Consolidated Edison	27 1/2	27 1/2	Schenley Distillers	9 1/2	9 1/2
Consolidated Oil	6	6	Sears Roebuck	75 1/2	75 1/2
Continental Can	36 1/2	36 1/2	Shell Union Oil	8 1/2	8 1/2
Continental Oil	17 1/2	17 1/2	Soco-Vacuum Oil	8 1/2	8 1/2
Copperweld Steel	17 1/2	17 1/2	Southern Pacific	72	72
Curtiss Wright (C.)	6 1/2	6 1/2	Southern Ry \$5 pld.	16 1/2	16 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	24 1/2	24 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	25 1/2	25 1/2
Deere & Co.	14 1/2	14 1/2	Standard Brands	6 1/2	6 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	18 1/2	18 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	14 1/2	14 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	68 1/2	68 1/2	Standard Oil of California	17 1/2	17 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	16 1/2	16 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	33 1/2	33 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	7 1/2	7 1/2	Stone & Webster	7 1/2	7 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	28 1/2	28 1/2	Studebaker Corp.	71	71
Elec. Autolite	31 1/2	31 1/2	Swift International	16 1/2	16 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	5 1/2	5 1/2	Technicolor	9 1/2	9 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf.	62	62	Texas Corp.	34 1/2	34 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$6 pf.	69	69	Texas Gulf Sulphur	30 1/2	30 1/2
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pf.	32	32	Timken-Axle	22 1/2	22 1/2
Flintkote	13 1/2	13 1/2	Trans-America Co.	42	42
Gen. American Trans.	44 1/2	44 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	5 1/2	5 1/2
Gen. Electric	32 1/2	32 1/2	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	11 1/2	11 1/2
Gen. Motors	44 1/2	44 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	67 1/2	67 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	10 1/2	10 1/2	Union Pacific	81 1/2	81 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	10 1/2	10 1/2	United Aircraft	15 1/2	15 1/2
Gillette Co.	12	12	United Airlines Trans.	34	34
Goodrich (B.F.)	10 1/2	10 1/2	United Corp.	35 1/2	35 1/2
Goodrich \$5 pf.	49 1/2	49 1/2	United Gas Corp.	11 1/2	11 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	14 1/2	14 1/2	United Gas Improvement	11 1/2	11 1/2
Great Northern Iron Ore	13 1/2	13 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	17 1/2	17 1/2
Great Northern Ry, pld.	21 1/2	21 1/2	U.S. Rubber	17 1/2	17 1/2
Great Western Sugar	19 1/2	19 1/2	U.S. Rubber \$8 pld.	17 1/2	17 1/2
Greyhound Corp.	10 1/2	10 1/2	U.S. Steel	50 1/2	50 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	80 1/2	80 1/2	Vanadium	29 1/2	29 1/2
International Harvester	39 1/2	39 1/2	Valtee Aircraft	7 1/2	7 1/2
Int. Nickel	22 1/2	22 1/2	Walworth Co.	3 1/2	3 1/2
Inter. Paper & Power	14 1/2	14 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	28 1/2	28 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel.	24 1/2	24 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	95 1/2	95 1/2
Kennecott Copper	25 1/2	25 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	25 1/2	25 1/2
Lakey Foundry & Mac.	31 1/2	31 1/2	Chase National Bank	28 1/2	28 1/2
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	37	37	National City Bank	22 1/2	22 1/2

DOW JONES AVERAGE

1939/40		Aug. 20, 1940.	
High	Low	High	Low
155.92	111.24	131.98	122.37
25.90	22.15	25.27	23.34
37.70	15.03	31.23	21.72
82.22	82.06	87.52	87.65
65.67	45.69	65.67	45.69

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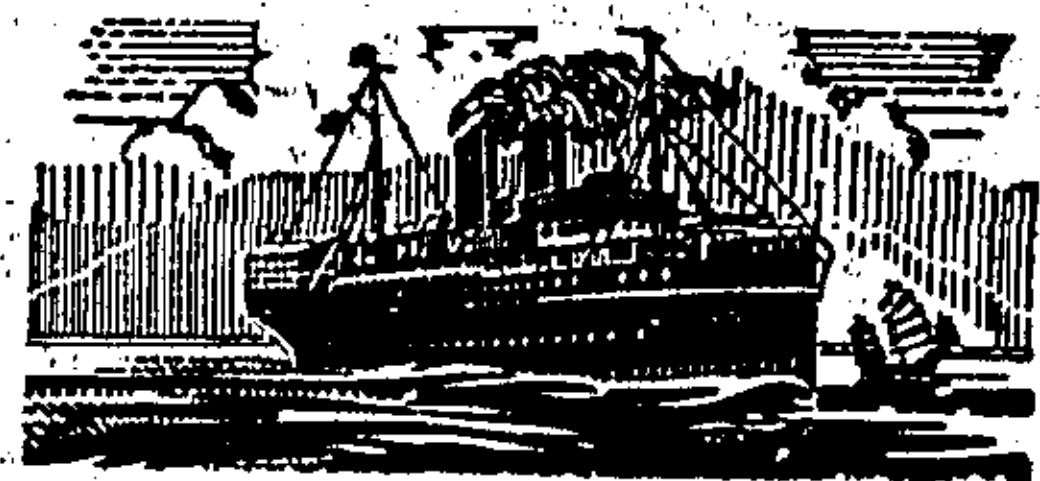
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New Canadian Warships

"Canada's new warships, built in Dominion Shipyards, are to be known as 'Corvettes', said Rear-Admiral Percy W. Nelles, Chief of the Naval Staff, in an official statement.

The building of these ships, of a patrol vessel type, has been considered one of the most important contributions of Canada's war effort, involving the expenditure of millions of dollars and the employment of thousands of men.

The large Naval expansion programme, thanks to the diligence of patriotic workers, is ahead of its announced schedule, and several of the vessels have already been launched. The name "Corvette" is famous in the history of Naval nomenclature.

Many noted vessels have been of this type. Originally, the "Corvette" was a flush-decked wooden war vessel, generally equipped with only one tier of guns, resembling a frigate and being a full-rigged ship, but smaller. In the United States, such craft were called "sloops of war."

The policy in naming the newest acquisition to Canada's Fleet is to give representation to small and medium sized towns. The new vessels, of the Corvette class, built by Canadian workmen and manned by Canadian seamen, thus will carry names of different towns throughout the Dominion.

Canadian destroyers are named after rivers such as the H.M.C.S. "Assiniboine," "Ottawa," "Fraser," etc. Minesweepers also derived their names from Canadian geographical sources, such as H.M.C.S. "Fundy," "Nootka," "Comox," etc.

H.K. YACHT DETAINED IN HAINAN

Entered Naval Zone Following Monsoon

The Hongkong-built yacht Elvira is being detained by the Japanese authorities at Hainan Island with her crew of two, it was learned yesterday.

The owner of the Elvira, Senior Alfredo Carmela, who is also Mexican Consul in Manila, has received advices that the yacht, together with her two-man crew of James Petersen, an Australian, and Norman Terrey, an American, have been located in Hainan.

Nothing had been heard of the Elvira since she left Hongkong on January 16, bound for Manila, and it now appears, therefore, that Petersen and Terrey have been detained seven months in Hainan.

BLOWN OFF COURSE
The Elvira was apparently blown off her course between Hongkong and Manila by monsoon winds and was forced to enter a Japanese naval zone reported to have been established last year in southern Hainan.

There, apparently, the yacht was confiscated, and Petersen and Terrey detained.

Wimbledon Town Council has arranged to take over a number of large houses to house people whose homes may be ruined by air raids.

INCIDENT OFF FUKIEN

Over 200 tons of general cargo, valued at almost \$1,000,000, were taken by pirates from the S.S. Sin Hwa, a British owned steamer of George I. Shaw Line, operating along the China coast, on August 8, it was learned on Aug. 14, states the North China Daily News.

AWAITING ORDERS

The steamer, under command of Captain W. Waitneck, left Shanghai on August 3, en route for San Kiang Koo off the Fukien coast. On August 8 the steamer reached Hung Hwa the other side of San Kiang Koo but refrained from entering the harbour, when a Japanese warship was seen in the distance. The ship anchored there, awaiting orders from the general office.

Two days later, on August 8, two small steamers and several lighters came alongside the Sin Hwa and some sixty or seventy armed pirates jumped aboard her. The marauders, armed to the teeth, met no resistance and took command of the ship. No passengers escaped being robbed, but no one was molested.

Being in full command of the ship, the pirates started immediately to unload the cargo and was carrying. Tons of rice, flour and a large quantity of clothing were transferred to the lighters during the two days the ship was under detention.

WARSHIP APPROACHES

At the end of the second day the Japanese warship came nearer and a party of bluejackets were sent aboard the Sin Hwa in a motor boat. When the pirates saw the boat approach, they stopped their work and, boarding their own craft, went away. Before leaving, however, they took several Chinese merchants with them. These, it was understood, would be held for ransom.

The pirates used Japanese flags on their craft and this explained the complete unpreparedness of the crew of the Sin Hwa to offer any resistance to the marauders, as it was thought at the time that the ship was being stopped for examination.

The company reported the case to the British authorities here on the ship's return to Shanghai yesterday, and investigations are under way.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 21 to 27 Aug. 1940.

Days of Week	Date of Month	High Water		Low Water	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Wed.	21	8.10	5.3	8.44	2.7
		11.06	5.4	17.38	1.8
Thur.	22	11.33	5.9	05.25	3.6
		—	—	17.52	2.3
Fri.	23	00.08	5.8	08.04	3.0
		11.58	5.4	18.19	2.6
Sat.	24	00.29	5.6	08.57	3.3
		12.26	5.9	18.40	3.0
Sun.	25	00.69	5.7	08.74	3.3
		12.13	4.5	18.66	3.3
Mon.	26	01.44	5.8	09.38	3.3
		14.24	4.1	19.07	3.6
Tues.	27	02.28	6.0	11.11	3.0
		1.57	4.1	19.28	3.8

Shipping Deteriorates In Shanghai

MANY VESSELS LYING IDLE

Charterers of coastal vessels are reported to have been badly hit by the shipping ban imposed by the Japanese naval authorities on coastal navigation and a check up disclosed that at least 72 coastal crafts are lying idle in port, reports the North China Daily News.

Taking the average capacity of each coastal boat at 500 tons, a shipping man explained yesterday, the total tonnage tied up would represent 35,000 tons. This, coupled with the non-arrival of ocean liners and the German vessel Rameses and the Conte Verde of the Lloyd Triestino lying idle in port, present a gloomy picture in the shipping sphere.

STOCKS DEPLETED

The flow of cargo from coast ports which has been affected since the enforcement of the ban is seriously depleting local stocks of pigs from the Yangtze valley, chickens, eggs, paper, tea, Chinese ham and numerous other native products.

The local market has suffered a severe shortage of the usual summer variety of fruits from southern ports, including Swatow, Amoy and Foochow, and the small variety available for sale command unusually high prices.

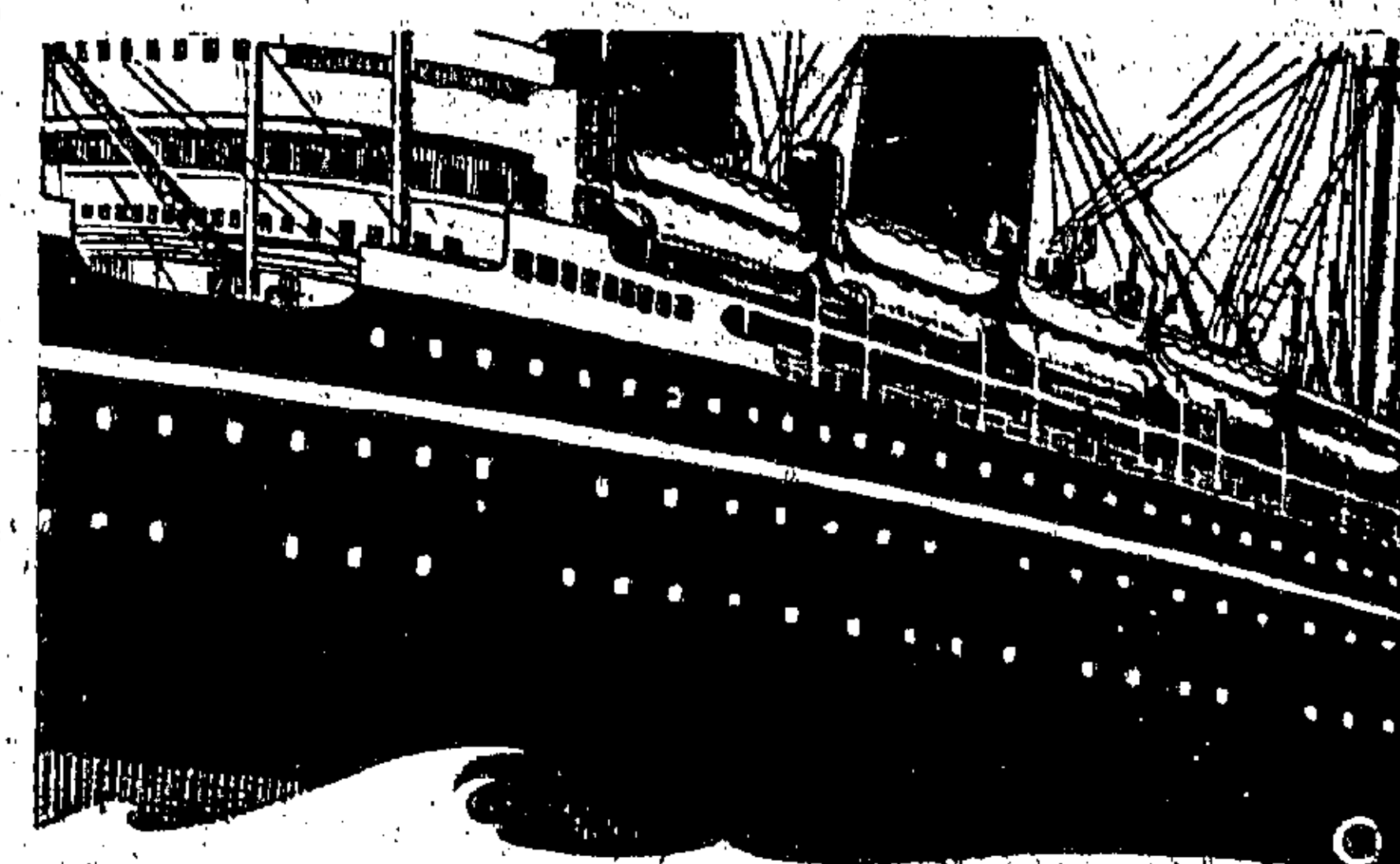
MUCH UNEMPLOYMENT

The deterioration in shipping, it was learned, has thrown scores of coolies and members of ships' crews out of employment. The Rameses has been lying idle off Nantao for months with the retention of her entire crew while the monthly disbursement for the upkeep of the Conte Verde, is reported to be "in the neighbourhood of \$100,000. Depression in the shipping business here began with the closure of the Yangtze to navigation.

Although it is a far cry from here to Canton, it was learned that shipping in southern waters remain paralyzed and that not a single foreign ship had gone up the Pearl River for the past fortnight.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory
10 a.m., August 20.
Barometer (at sea level), 29.59 ins.
Temperature, 85 F.
Humidity, 82 per cent.
Wind Direction, WNW.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.
Temperature, maximum yesterday, 89 F.
Minimum last night, 81 F.
Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, nil.
Total rainfall since January 1st, 101.22 ins.
Against an average of 62.75 ins.
Sunset tonight, 6.51 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 6.02 a.m.
4 p.m., Aug. 20.
Barometer (at sea level), 29.50 ins.
Temperature, 85 F.
Humidity, 80 per cent.
Wind Direction, WSW.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 2.
Maximum temperature, 89 F.
Minimum temperature, 81 F.
Rainfall, 0.01.



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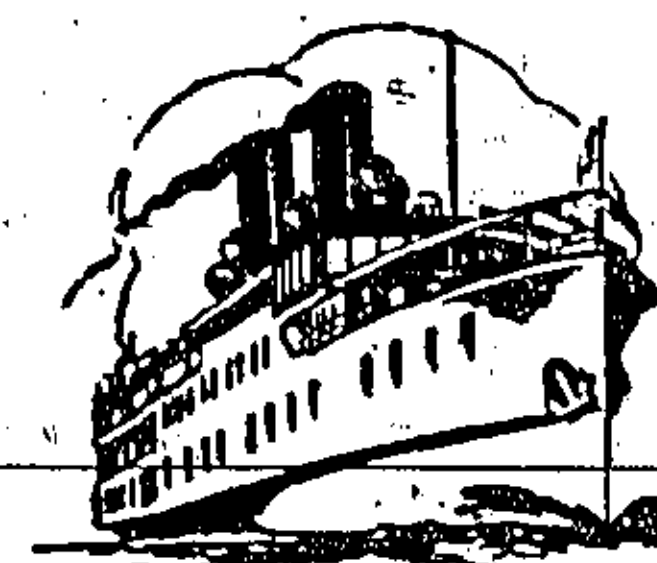
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ITALIAN DUMPS IN FLAMES

LITTLE ACTIVITY IN DESERT WAR

CAIRO, Aug. 20 (Reuter) The war communique states: "In the Western Desert: Following the naval shelling of dumps in the area north of Fort Capuzzo on August 17, our patrols report seeing for some hours dense columns of smoke a hundred feet high."
Kenya: On August 18, a few miles from Buna, a party of 30 Banda (native conscripts) fled after exchanging shots with a small party of the King's African Rifles.
"Palestine, Sudan, Somaliland: Nothing to report."

Smuggling Of Opium Not Profitable

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sold to an established clientele with agencies in all important areas, even to villages in the New Territories.

Opium divans continue with a sort of trade even to the present, though established addicts occasionally become impatient when a divan runs out of pills and seek an immediate source of supply at any price.

Addicts whose divan is their own home find the non-appearance of their regular "salesman" very irksome. With no better solution of the problem presenting itself, they seek by some means or other to avail themselves of the Government supply.

Government opium, though sold through some 30 agencies both on the Island and Kowloon, cannot be easily obtained. The daily supply available for sale is limited and it is sought to limit sales to established addicts. Recently, the price of Government opium has been raised to meet a situation where some agencies are very nearly "swamped" with men and women who demand the drug.

VARIETY OF BRANDS

Illicit opium depends for its sale as much on a variety of brands and names, ostensibly to "suit every taste," as do cigarettes and tobacco. Raw opium is difficult to obtain. Prepared opium, which can often be more correctly termed "adulterated" opium, is obtainable in a wide range of stages of adulteration.

What the rickshaw-coolie and the labourer smokes is sometimes the cheapest of the adulterated product and contains just as much opium as a "10 for one cent" cigarette contains tobacco.

Principal brands of smuggled opium, obtainable all over the China Coast, are the "Lo Fung Kel," the source of distribution of which is allegedly Kwangchowwan, "Hung Si," the source of distribution alleged to be Macao, also known as the "Lion Brand," and also the "Cock Brand" and innumerable other brands.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Seeking a statement yesterday on the exact situation, the "Hongkong Daily Press" obtained the following statement from the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Mr. E. W. Hamilton:—

"It is understood that owing to events in South China during the past months the supply of illicit opium has dwindled almost to the point of extinction.

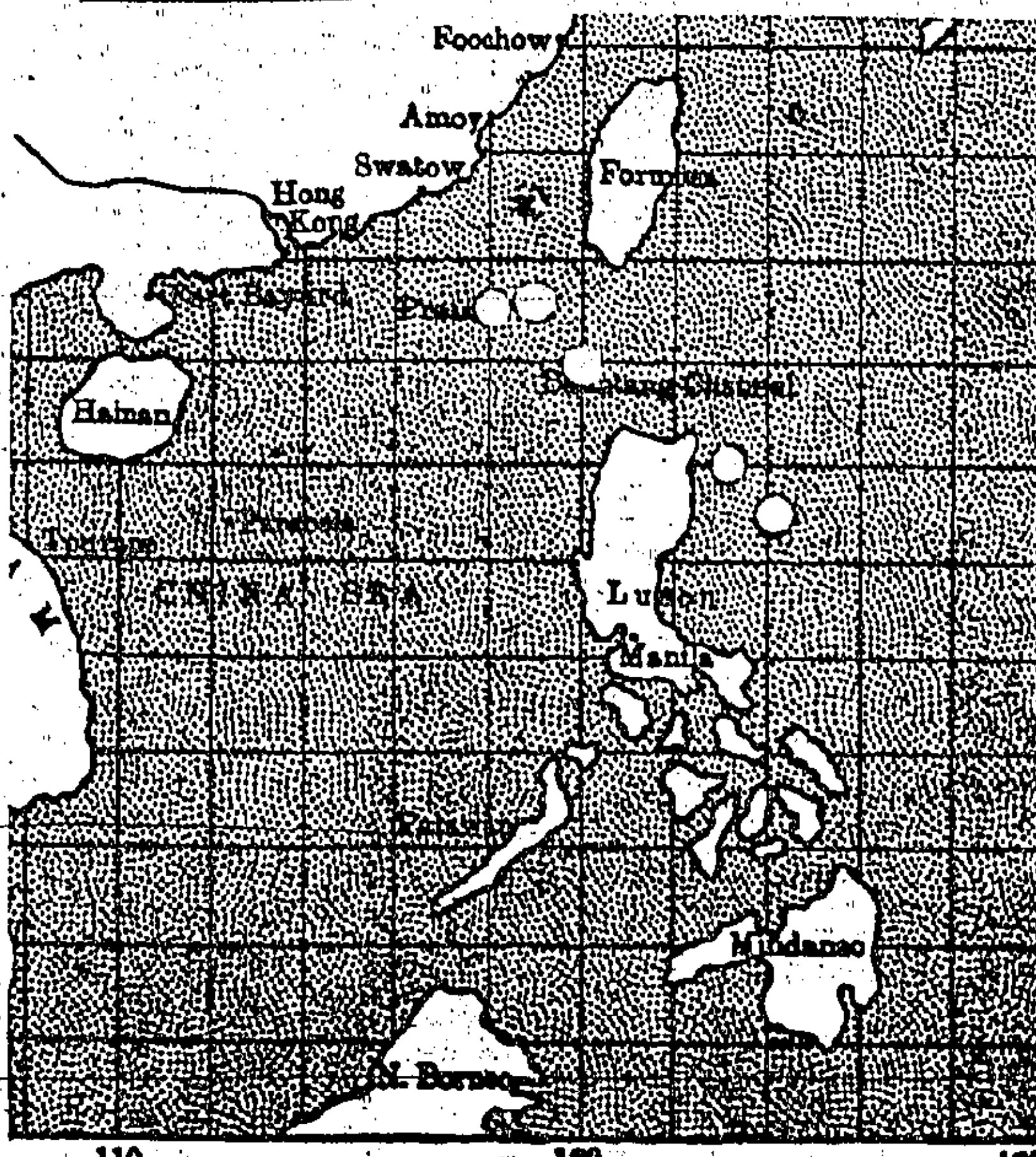
"Consequently there has been a great increase in the demand for the opium sold by the Government. To restrict these increased sales the price has been raised by \$3 per tael. This step has already shown good results in restricting sales.

"Incidentally, though the purchase of Government opium is legal in the Colony, no person may possess more than five taels of it, nor may it be exported from the Colony."

NINE BRITISH SHIPS LOST

LONDON, August 20 (Reuter)—It is learned authoritatively that nine British ships, with a gross tonnage of 32,275 tons, were lost during the week ending August 11 and 12.
The Allied losses were 442 tons and neutral 6,708 tons.

Typhoon Threatens Coast



THE TYPHOON WHICH ENTERED THE BALINTANG CHANNEL ON MONDAY MORNING was reported at 6.08 p.m. by the Royal Observatory yesterday to be situated less than 50 miles north-east of Pratas Shoal, moving W.N.W. and threatening the coast between Hongkong and Swatow.

Cyclonic gales are expected around Pratas Shoal.

THE NO. 5 LOCAL SIGNAL (gale expected from north-west) was hoisted at 12.17 o'clock this morning, replacing the No. 1 signal which went up at noon yesterday when the typhoon was reported to be situated more than 300 miles east-south-east of Hongkong moving slowly north-westward.

The position of the typhoon at 5.32 p.m. yesterday was lat. 21N., long. 118E., moving west-north-west.

West and north-west winds, freshening to a gale later, cloudy with rain and squalls is the forecast for today.

The maximum temperature yesterday was 89 and the minimum 81.

The Observatory report adds that pressure is highest to the east of South Japan.

Severe Raids On Chungking

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NON-EXISTENT

CHUNGKING, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—The "down-town" of Chungking is practically non-existent as a result of Japanese aircraft unloading tons of incendiary bombs over the heart of the city in the past 24 hours.

RECORD NUMBER OF BOMBERS

CHUNGKING, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—Japanese aircraft, in four groups, raided Chungking this afternoon, starting three fires.

Fires in the western suburbs and in the vicinity of the west gate, caused by yesterday's raids, are still raging.

It is now established that a record number of 190 bombers took part in yesterday afternoon's raid.

The so-called upper section of the city was completely gutted by fire yesterday afternoon while the lower section was destroyed this afternoon.

The well-known British firms, Butterfield and Swire, Barry and Dodwell, Ltd., buildings are at present in flames.

When a Reuter correspondent, after visiting the ruins of the upper section of the city, reached the lower section this afternoon after the raid, he found at least 15 blocks in a solid mass of smoke and flames. It is feared that hundreds are probably trapped in the inferno, the fire of which is rapidly spreading whipped by a strong wind.

The wounded were quickly removed in ambulances and trucks.

Separated by a bridge, the upper city runs from the west gate through Wuku Road (bookstore street) then Tuyu Road (shopping restaurant street) towards Talingtze (theatre street) also Siaoingtze (shopping movies street).

The lower city runs from Sinciaikou (banking district) along the motor road on the Yangtze River front towards the western suburbs.

OLDEST FIRM

This afternoon Japanese aircraft dropped bombs starting fires

TYPHOON HOLDS UP CLIPPER

NOT DUE UNTIL TOMORROW

THE HONOLULU CLIPPER, which was due to arrive in Hongkong today has been delayed another day at Guam Island, due to a severe typhoon in the area of the Philippines.

It is now expected to arrive in Hongkong tomorrow (Thursday) and will depart for San Francisco on Friday.

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS

An outward-service by Imperial Airways is due to leave Kai Tak this morning, taking mails from Hongkong for Indo-China, Malaya, Java and Australia.

An air mail service also leaves tomorrow with mails for the United Kingdom via Durban, from whence they will be conveyed by sea service.

Another outward service by Imperial Airways will leave Kai Tak on Sunday morning, also taking mails for the United Kingdom, via Durban.

An inward service by Imperial Airways is scheduled to arrive in Hongkong tomorrow afternoon.

HIGH VELOCITY GUNS FROM FRENCH COAST

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—It is believed in London that high velocity guns have been shooting at the English south-east coast.

Fragments of metal have been examined and experts concluded that they are splinters from shells fired from the French coast.

The Dutch Wireless reported that shells were fired from 11-centimetre guns. If that is so, the probable weight of the projectiles will be from 30 to 35 pounds, but it is stated in London that the evidence shows the gun was much bigger and it is believed they were fired from a 12 or 14-inch gun.

AMERICAN CARGO BOAT BOARDED

SAN DIEGO, Aug. 20 (Reuter)—It is reported here that an American destroyer was sent to investigate the boarding of the American cargo boat Herman Frasche by a Mexican gunboat off Acapulco.

from Siaoingtze to Palsiangkai, where the Butterfield and Swire, Barry and Dodwell buildings are situated. Barry and Dodwell Company is one of the oldest foreign firms in Chungking, acting also as the Chungking agent of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company.

The fires are so intense and widespread that it is beyond any human efforts to save the buildings. So many incendiary bombs were dropped that streets and sidewalks were covered with greenish-yellow sulphur dust.

All troops, police, gendarmes, engineering corps and volunteers were mobilised to fight the flames.

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 31st AUGUST, 1940, 9.30 A.M.

The Public are requested to note particularly the time of closing the Imperial Air Mail on Tuesday, the 27th August, 1940.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD MAILS

From	Due
Bangkok and Saigon	21st Aug.
Shanghai and Amoy	21st Aug.
Java and Manila	21st Aug.
Shanghai and Amoy	21st Aug.
Shanghai	21st Aug.
Sandakan	21st Aug.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai — (San Francisco date, 1st August)	21st Aug.
Australia and Manila	21st Aug.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service" — San Francisco date, 13th August	22nd Aug.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Service"	22nd Aug.
Bangkok	22nd Aug.
Haiphong	22nd Aug.
Shanghai	22nd Aug.
Japan	22nd Aug.
London and Straits	22nd Aug.
Saloon	23rd Aug.
Japan and Formosa	23rd Aug.
Bangkok and Tourane	24th Aug.
Formosa, Amoy and Swatow	24th Aug.
Japan	24th Aug.
Shanghai	24th Aug.
London and Straits	25th Aug.
Manila and Cebu	25th Aug.
U. S. A. and Manila — (San Francisco date, 2nd August)	25th Aug.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Service"	26th Aug.
Haiphong and Hoihow	26th Aug.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	26th Aug.
Japan	26th Aug.
Manila	27th Aug.
Japan	27th Aug.
London and Manila	28th Aug.
Java and Manila	29th Aug.
Shanghai	29th Aug.
Japan and Shanghai	29th Aug.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, and Shanghai — (Vancouver B.C. date, 10th August)	29th Aug.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai — (San Francisco date, 3rd August)	29th Aug.
Straits	31st Aug.
Shanghai	31st Aug.
Sandakan	1st Sept.
Straits and Manila	2nd Sept.

OUTWARD MAILS

Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

For	Date and Time
WEDNESDAY	
Fort Bayard	Wed. 21st 2.30 PM
Manila	7.40 PM
Saloon	7.00 PM
Japan	7.00 PM
THURSDAY	
Straits	Thu. 22nd 8.30 AM
Hoihow and Haiphong	8.30 AM
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya	10.30 AM
Shanghai	12.30 PM
Swatow	1.00 PM
K.P.O.	Reg. 6.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U. S. A., & Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Service"	Reg. 5.00 PM
Amoy	Ord. 7.00 PM
FRIDAY	
Amoy	Fri. 23rd 8.30 AM
Straits and Calcutta	Parcels 11.00 AM
Shanghai	Letters Noon
Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta	12.30 PM
	3.30 PM
SATURDAY	
Shanghai and Parcels only for Tientsin	Sat. 24th 9.00 AM
Shanghai	12.30 PM
Parcels only for Tientsin	5.00 PM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways-Service" to Durban and thence by Sea Service to United Kingdom	Reg. 5.00 PM
Air Mail for Indo-China, Malaya, Java and Australia by the "Imperial Airways Service"	Ord. 5.30 PM
Haiphong	Ord. 5.30 PM
SUNDAY	
Formosa, Shanghai and Japan	Sun. 25th 9.00 AM
MONDAY	
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa and United Kingdom	Mon. 26th 12.30 PM
Haiphong	Reg. 24th 5.00 PM
Saloon	Ord. 20th 8.30 AM
	Noon
	12.30 PM
TUESDAY	
Straits	Tue. 27th 10.30 AM
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 4.15 PM
	Ord. 5.00 PM
K.P.O.	Reg. 4.30 PM
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Air Mail for Indo-China, Malaya, Java and Australia by the "Imperial Airways Service"	Reg. 4.30 PM
	Ord. 5.00 PM

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